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Brunco "Doctor" Said To Be
Headed This Way.

He Collects In Advance On Glasses
That He Never Delivers.

Lowell People Have Had Sad Ex-
perience With Him.

A bogus oculist, who has fleeced his victims right and left in Lowell, Mass., has silently folded his tent and fled the police, who have taken a deep interest in the case since complaints have begun to flow in from those who were bitten, believe he has started on a tour of the territory to the eastward. Already warnings have been dispatched to the police departments in Portsmouth, Dover, Portland and other cities and towns in New Hampshire and Maine.

The plan used by this dangerous individual, while not altogether new, certainly is something of a departure from the usual course followed by his ilk. And the ease and frequency with which the gullible have given up their good coin, besides proving the weakness of the average human, emphasizes the fact that the "doctor" is a dangerously persuasive person.

The first complaint came to the Lowell police a few days ago, when a woman called at the central station and told the official in charge, that a man who pretended to be an oculist called at her house and sold her mother a pair of glasses. The glasses were to be delivered at a future date, and the man collected \$5 in advance on account. The time for delivery duly arrived, but no so the "doctor" or the glasses. She wanted the police to assist her in getting back the money. Following this the complaints became more numerous and among the victims was a blind woman, who told the officers the "doctors" had taken the last three dollars she had in the world. She had cataracts on her eyes and has been blind for many years, but the valuable "eye specialist" assured her that his glasses would entirely restore her sight. They were something new and were warranted to remove cataracts; had been used in thousands of cases and not a failure had been recorded. It would be at least two weeks before the glasses could be delivered, as they were made only by specially constructed machinery in a distant city.

Ordinarily the were very expensive—far beyond the reach of people of limited means. But he was placing them for a short time only—merely to introduce them in this section—far below even the cost of manufacture. And, by the way, it was customary to collect a small part of the purchase price in advance. Could she just as well as not make the first payment \$5.00? But the poor woman had only \$3.00—not another cent in the world. She saw the chance of restored vision slipping away and asked her visitor if he could not accept that amount instead of the usual \$5.00. And the rascal took it. She has waited long past the promised day, but neither her "benefactor" nor his wonderful glasses have arrived. Last reports had the "doctor," (who, by the way, is well supplied with aliases,) in New Hampshire, headed east, and it is not improbable that within another week the good people of Maine may have an opportunity to test their wits against those of one of the slickest rascals now at large.

He is described by one of his victims as follows: "Age, about forty years; medium build; smooth shaven face; sharp features; jet black hair parted in the middle; fluent talker; dark clothing, latest style in cut; wore much jewelry; and a man who would impress one as being a professional man and perfectly sincere."

ABOUT VENEZUELA.

Capt. Charles Mason Fuller Describes
The Country And Its People.

The interest recently excited in Venezuelan affairs induced many people to attend the lecture on that turbulent country given in Freeman's hall on Thursday evening by Capt. Charles Mason Fuller, formerly an

officer of the United States navy. Capt. Fuller is a fluent speaker and one who never loses the attention of his audience. He was evidently well informed on the situation in Venezuela and well acquainted with the country and its people. The lecture was more than ordinarily interesting and its hearers gathered much valuable information.

Over 100 stereopticon views were shown, including portraits of President Castro, Minister Bowen and pictures of many Venezuelan cities and localities.

A synopsis of the lecture follows: The Twentieth Century, Our Tropical Interests, The Panama Canal, The Monroe Doctrine, Voyage to Venezuela, New York Harbor, (sunset), Night on the Ocean, The Gulf Stream, Moonlight at Sea, The Te Deum, Martinique, Eruption of Mt. Pelée, Trinidad, The Orinoco River, Ciudad Bolívar, The Coast Country, Mountain Scenery, President Castro, Minister Bowen, Caracas, (capital) La Guayra, Puerto Cabello, The Amazon, City of Para, Rio Negro, Manaus, Rio Casiquiare, San Carlos, 175 Mile Estate, Siphonia Elastica, American Interests, Future of Venezuela, To You, My Friends, Buenos Noches.

SMALLPOX IN IPSWICH.

Other People Besides the Greeks Are
Having It.

A despatch from Ipswich, Mass., on Thursday said:

The smallpox scare here, instead of subsiding, has increased and the townspeople are greatly wrought up over it. Yesterday a Polish girl was taken from the winding room of the Ipswich mills with every sign of the dreaded disease upon her. She was carried to her home on Union street, it being the next house to the one occupied by the Greeks, and this house was placed in quarantine until the arrival of Dr. Morse of Boston. The work of vaccinating the operatives of the mills is still going on. Nearly four hundred have already been vaccinated.

The other three smallpox patients were removed to the pest house on Lakemans' lane on Tuesday night, they being accompanied by Dr. Ames and the nurse.

It was reported today that this house is not suitable for a pest house, because it cannot be heated properly and that the board of health has taken a house at the foot of River Court, the property of the Ipswich mills corporation, and the patients will be placed in quarantine here. This house is in close proximity to other houses and when this report was heard it created a furore in that vicinity.

Several families have already made arrangements to move if this house is made into a pest house, and others are objecting strenuously. It is not a suitable place for such a house, as there are other houses all around it, and it would be just as well had the patients been left where they were.

BRILLIANT ADDRESS.

Mrs. Blatch Speaks Entertainingly
On the Subject of Woman Suffrage.

The second address in the series given by the advocates of woman suffrage in this city was delivered in Peirce hall Thursday evening to a large audience of interested ones. The speaker was Mrs. Harriet Stanton Blatch and her reputation for eloquence was largely responsible for the size of the gathering.

She had her subject well in hand and was evidently firmly convinced of the justice of the cause which she advocated. She argued forcibly and well in favor of the enfranchisement of women and was frequently interrupted by applause. Those in the audience who held an opinion opposed to her own were impressed with Mrs. Blatch's sincerity and could not withhold their admiration for her unmistakable talent as a public speaker.

Some new phases of the equal suffrage question were presented and some new ideas on the subject were brought out. The address was a most interesting one and well worth hearing, even though one did not share the speaker's views.

Mrs. Blatch is the daughter of Elizabeth Cady Stanton and evidently inherits all of her brilliant mother's remarkable talent. She will leave very pleasant memories in Portsmouth and will be warmly welcomed if she ever comes again.

FIREBUGS AFTER HIM.

Tony Smith Says Somebody Tried
To Burn Him Out.

He Runs Little Grocery Store Down
In Green Street.

Tells Police That Italians Have a
Grudge Against Him.

Tony Smith, an Italian, who keeps a little grocery store on Green street, next door to the big plant of the Portsmouth Milling company, reported to police headquarters on Monday evening that an attempt had been made to burn down the building he occupies.

Officer Anderson was assigned to investigate the story and accompanied Smith back to the premises.

The air around the building was pregnant with the fumes of kerosene oil and it took but a few moments to discover the fact that one corner of the building had been well saturated with kerosene and a match applied. The fire had been discovered in time to prevent a serious conflagration.

According to all reports, Smith does a little business in the wet goods line and sells lager in bottles to his fellow countrymen who work at Freeman's Point. He has been in court on this charge, adjudged guilty and fined.

Smith says the attempt at destroying his building was the job of some of his countrymen who have a grudge against him.

The police also think that it is the work of some one who has been refused a drink by the Italian store keeper and that they took this method to get square.

The authorities are hard at work on the case today and will use every effort to run down the guilty parties.

Had the fire gained a start, it would have been a most disastrous one, for the building is wedged in between the Portsmouth Milling company's plant and the big store house of the Silas Peirce company.

PROBATE COURT.

Business Transacted At The February Session, Held In Exeter.

The following business was transacted at the February session of the probate court at Exeter:

Wills proved—Clara W. Bagnall, Northwood, no executor; John McCarthy, Portsmouth, Mary McCarthy, executrix; Benjamin Collins, Newton, no executor; Oscar Berg Portsmouth, Richard A. Harford, executor; Sally S. Whitman, Epping, George E. Shepard, executor; Mary A. Reynolds East Kingston, Fred C. Parkhurst, executor; Sarah E. Caswell, Newmarket, James E. Caswell, executor; Mary E. Frink, Newington, John W. Kelly, executor.

Administration granted in the estates of Calvin W. Noyes, Atkinson, Gilman Greenough, administrator; Timothy Tewhill, Exeter, Ellen Tewhill, administratrix; Charles L. Gilman, Brunswick, Me., John G. Gilman, administrator; Charles E. Warren, Exeter, Annabel Warren, administratrix; John C. Neal, Kittery, Me., D. Webb Sanborn administrator.

Inventories accepted in estates of Edward M. Hilton, Newmarket; Fred J. Hilton, Newmarket; Jennie M. Redmond, Auburn; Ruth L. Kelly, Salem; Nahum A. Bodwell, Salem; John S. Lane, Salem; Clara J. Batchelder, Raymond; Elizabeth L. Boardman, Exeter.

Accounts filed for notice in estates of Maggie Marble, Hampstead; Frances J. Hanson, Northwood; John A. Virgin, Northwood; William R. Little, Atkinson; Trueworthy Hill, Northwood; Isaac H. Morrison, Deerfield; James E. Batchelder, Northwood.

Accounts filed for notice in estates of Mary E. Harris, Derry; Samuel P. Silby, Salem; Ellen F. Batchelder, North Hampton; Oren Batchelder, North Hampton; Nellie I. Batchelder, North Hampton; George Frazier, Cambridge, Mass.

Accounts settled in estates of Abigail F. Chase, Kensington; Josiah D. Prescott, Kensington; Albert W. Ham, Hopedale, Mass.; Rodney S. Cambell, Derry; Mary E. Brown, Ex-

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KITTERY.

Kittery, Me., Feb. 27.

Mrs. Lillian Chute, who is residing on Pleasant street, is happy over the birth of a daughter.

Frank Remick of Methuen, Mass., was in town yesterday.

Miss Una Brann, assistant teacher at York High school, has been suffering from a severe cold and unable to attend to her duties for the past two days.

The New England Publication Syndicate was organized at the office of Horace Mitchell in Kittery, to publish and distribute newspapers and other periodicals. Capital stock, \$50,000. President, Horace Mitchell; treasurer, A. M. Meloon, New Castle, N. H.

The Eastern Smelting and Refining company, for the purpose of smelting and refining metals. Capital stock, \$100,000. President, Horace Mitchell, Kittery, Me.; treasurer, A. M. Meloon, New Castle, N. H.

George Hayes left for Everett, Mass., today to pass a few days with his son there. Master Eugene, who has been ill for so long a time with typhoid fever, is now sitting up a little each day.

William Edson is to move his family from North Kittery to Kittery Point, near the Point bridge.

The U. O. A. W. held a brief business meeting last evening for the purpose of considering the matter of holding their annual meeting.

Master Philip Rand entertained a few of his little friends at his home on Pearson street, from three to six o'clock this afternoon.

Miss Luella J. Paul entertained a few of her friends at "dominos" yesterday afternoon. There were three tables and the game lasted for about an hour. Miss Uraun captured the first prize, a dainty bon-bon dish, and Miss Fernald was consoled by a box of dominos. Dainty home made candy was served during the game, and at the close the Mandolin Club furnished music and a social time was enjoyed. Chocolate and cake was then served by the hostess.

Mrs. James W. Brown is visiting in Haverhill, Mass.

Laurence Remick of Methuen, Mass., is the guest of his father, Joseph C. Remick.

The ninth assembly of L'Inconnu club will be held this evening in Wentworth hall.

South Eliot, Me., Feb. 26.

William Hammond of Portsmouth was in town calling on friends Wednesday.

The young son of Alonzo Bowden is quite sick with a complication of diseases.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Staples are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son.

Mrs. S. A. Paul is ill with congestion of the lungs.

Oscar Remick has returned to Boston after a short visit to his parents.

Some of our citizens took advantage of the cheap fare to Boston on Thursday.

The subject of naming the roads in town to facilitate matters for both the conductors and patrons of the electric road is being agitated, and it is hoped some appropriate titles will be hit upon.

Mrs. James Coleman was in attendance at the dinner given by the Congregational society on Tuesday at Hampton.

Charles H. Cole has returned to Charlestown, after a short stay with his family.

Miss Ann Paul sustained a stroke of paralysis recently.

H. P. Abbott was a visitor to Portsmouth Tuesday.

Mrs. H. H. Cole and sister passed Thursday in Boston.

BIG APPLE CARGO.

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HAPPENINGS IN EXETER.

No Real Excitement Expected At Annual Town Meeting.

Musicians Meet Phillips Academy Track Team At Every Turn.

Budget of Other Timely Topics From Our Special Correspondent.

Exeter, Feb. 26.

Town meeting is barely more than two weeks away, and yet everything is in a most quiet state. The warrant has been posted, but it contains no important articles and so it looks as if the gathering this year would be very quiet. Indeed, at present the indications are that only one party caucus will be held. The executive committee of the Republican club has appointed the date of the republican caucus for Monday evening, March 9, the eve of the election. Following out the successful system inaugurated two years ago, the caucus will be opened at four o'clock in the afternoon and the polls will be closed at half-past eight. Voting will be by the republican checklist, which the executive committee is now revising. A short while ago there were rumors to the effect that there would be a citizens' caucus and that a citizens' ticket would be put into the field. These rumors are heard every year, but the citizens' ticket generally fails to materialize.

The principal, and possibly the only, contest of note that will come up for settlement at the republican caucus will be over the nomination of a tax collector. The fight will be between the present incumbent, J. Warren Tilton, and Louis Swain. Both are strong men and have a host of friends and the contest promises to be interesting. Mr. Tilton has held the office for thirteen years. John A. Brown is a candidate to succeed himself as a trustee for seven years, of the Robinson Female seminary. The present town officers, who have all signified their intention of being candidates for re-election, are as follows: Selectmen, John M. Wadleigh, Clarence Getchell and John W. A. Green; town clerk, Fred S. Fellows; town treasurer, Charles W. Barker; tax collector, J. Warren Tilton; street commissioner, Newell S. Tilton.

It now looks as if the Phillips-Exeter track team would be without the services of Capt. Neal W. Allen next spring. Capt. Allen was obliged to go to his home at Portland, Me., early in January. He returned to school a short while ago, but he is in a very poor physical condition and he does not seem to improve any.

The loss of Capt. Allen to the team would only be one more addition to a long list of misfortunes. Last spring the chances for a successful team this year were very bright. In the fall Capt. Anderson of the team did not return and Mr. Allen was elected to the captaincy. Capt. Allen is a fine, half miler and together with Butterworth, who had to leave school on account of sickness, gave Exeter a fast pair in that event.

William A. Ritchie of the local Boot and Shoe Workers' union went to Boston this evening, where tomorrow he will be in conference with President Tobin of the National union. There was not much change in the situation at Gale Brothers' factories today. A few more men went to work. The directors of Gale Brothers say they are doing well and that the factories are turning out forty cars a week a day. The union leaders do not believe this and they say that the shop is only turning out fifteen cars, whereas an average of eighty-five were turned out before the trouble. The union placed two more factories at Dayton, Mass., today.

Exeter people are at a loss to know why Sheriff Marcus M. Collis of Portsmouth brought Cosloy Protectors, the Portsmouth smallpox agent, to Exeter. The warrant stated that the Greek should be taken to Portsmouth. If there is danger of the man spreading smallpox why was he brought to Exeter? Is a question the people here are asking. Deputy Sheriff does not like the idea of having a man once infected with smallpox and a disease running about his house and he would have been better pleased had he been confined in the Portsmouth jail.

The next entertainment of the Royal Ladies' Court of Friendship, council, Royal Arcanum, will be held on Thursday evening, March 5. N. A. Cole of Boston, the well known ventriloquist, impersonator and humorist will be present. The program will consist of humorous, dia-

lect and dramatic readings from standard authors, sketches, character impersonations and an exhibition of ventriloquism in which several life sized puppets will be used. The entertainment should call out a large attendance.

Charles Marselles is confined to his home with sickness.

The Merrill prize contest among the High school students will take place the last week of this term.

The second lecture in the woman's suffrage campaign will be given to-morrow evening, when Harriet Stanton Blatch will lecture upon "Why Not in New Hampshire."

T. C. Whitney of Nashua was a visitor in town this afternoon.

Rea Lorraine will be the attraction at the opera house during the week of March 2. It is called a strong attraction.

NEWINGTON.

Newington, Feb. 27.

The Reapers' circle met with Mrs. Rosamond Packard on Wednesday. A large number were present. They adjourned to meet in two weeks with Mrs. J. M. Hoyt.

Miss Martha S. Hoyt left on Wednesday for Boston, where she has taken a position in the real estate office of Coffin and Taylor.

Miss Hannah Pickering and Mrs. Dudley were in Dover on Wednesday.

The grange held a special meeting on Tuesday evening. District Deputy Robert Patterson of Portsmouth was present. A good number of the members of Piscataqua grange were there, besides several visitors from Portsmouth grange.

Everett Ransom of Mattapoisett, who has been visiting his sister, Mrs. Darius Frink, has returned home.

Langdon Brooks is reported as being on the sick list. Dr. Towle of Portsmouth is the attending physician.

Miss Hope Trefethen, who has been passing several weeks with her sister in Rye, returned home on Saturday.

A very pleasant sociable was held at the hall on Monday evening. A short program was furnished. Games and dancing were indulged in. Cake and coffee were served.

Miss Stella Pickering passed part of last week with her brother, Dr. Pickering, of Portsmouth.

Miss Demerit of Dover gave a lecture at the town hall last Saturday evening on "Woman Suffrage," which was very interesting and enjoyed by all present.

REPUBLICAN CAUCUSES.

Ward One.

The Ward One Republican Caucus for the purpose of nominating candidates for city officers will be held Monday, March 2, from 5 until 8 p. m., in the wardrobe on Maplewood avenue.

SAMUEL W. EMERY, Chairman. FREEMAN R. GARRETT, Secretary. Portsmouth, N. H., February 14, 1903.

Ward Three.

The republican Ward three caucus will be held on Friday evening, Feb. 27, in the ward room at half-past seven to nominate candidates to be supported at the coming municipal election.

Order Ward Committee.

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CHECKLIST NOTICE.

The Board of Registrars of Voters for the City of Portsmouth hereby gives notice, that they will be in session at the Common Council chamber at City Hall in said city, on the following dates, viz: Jan. 28, Feb. 3, 6, 10, 13, 17, 20, 24, 27 and Mar. 3 at the following hours, from 9 a. m. to 12 m. from 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 p. m., for the purpose of making up and correcting the Checklists of the several wards in said city, to be used at the annual election to be held March 10, 1903.

The said board will also be in session at the same place on election day, March 10, 1903 from 8 a. m. to 12 m. and from 1 to 4 p. m., for the purpose of granting certificates to those legal voters whose names are omitted from the lists.

Voters must bear in mind that it is their personal duty to see that their names are on the lists by presenting themselves at some meeting of this board.

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FOR MASAGNI.

Decision in His Favor By Full Bench of Supreme Court.

A decision in favor of Masagni was rendered by the full bench of the supreme court in Boston on Thursday, which held that the rulings of Judge Richardson of the superior court were erroneous, and that the contract between Masagni and the Mittenthals should be construed by the courts of Italy.

The suit was brought against Masagni in the superior court by Aubrey Mittenthal and others.

The contract contained a provision that "the present contract in its form and substance is regulated by the Italian laws, by will of the parties concerned. Whatever difference or question there might arise between the parties, including the agent, will be acted upon by the civil authorities of Florence, Italy."

The court holds that such an agreement of the parties as is contained in the contract is valid here. It also holds that such a contract is not so improvident and unreasonable, such an abnegation of legal rights, that the government, for the protection of mankind, will not recognize it, even when made in a foreign country by subjects or citizens of that country.

Modern Jarndyce vs. Jarndyce Case.

Dickens' famous case of Jarndyce versus Jarndyce, satirizing the proceedings of the British court of chancery, seems likely to be eclipsed in actual litigation by the case of Sallie E. Hillman against the Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance company, in which the plaintiff seeks to recover from the company \$5,000 insurance upon the life of her husband, who, she claims, died in 1879. Six juries have already passed upon the various points involved in the case, and now, by a ruling of the federal supreme court, it is sent back to the trial court for the seventh hearing.

The case, which originated in Kansas, where the plaintiff resides, has been before the public for twenty-four years in one form or another. Twice before it has found its way to the supreme court, which was called upon to pass upon disputed points of law. When Mrs. Hillman first brought suit, there were three respondents—the New York Life, the Mutual Life and the Connecticut Mutual Life—and the aggregate of her claims was \$25,000. She obtained judgment in the first hearing, whereupon the New York Life and the Mutual Life settled with her, paying her \$10,000 each, leaving the Connecticut Mutual to fight it out alone, which it has been doing for nearly a quarter of a century without bringing the case to a finish.

Mrs. Hillman in her original petition of March 17, 1879, contended that the provisions of the policy had been complied with and that her husband was dead and was buried on a certain date in Kansas. The respondent set up that her husband and two others conspired to defraud them by representing that Hillman was dead and substituting a corpse for burial.

The case has figured in circuit courts, superior courts, appellate courts and the federal supreme court, and now it goes again and cheerfully back to the trial court for a seventh hearing, and in due course of time, if nothing happens to prevent, it may find its way to the court of last resort again, possibly to go back for its eighth trial. As an example of persistency of litigants and of the law's delay the case of Sallie Hillman versus the Connecticut Mutual Life stands out conspicuously in the annals of American jurisprudence, and it seems likely to go on indefinitely, as the last decision is likely to encourage the company to continue the fight while the aging plaintiff insists that she will not give up the battle as long as the breath of life is in her body.

As indicating something of the tenderness of the times the Chicago city council has by a unanimous vote placed itself on record as desiring municipal ownership and operation of gas and electric lighting plants, and the state legislature has been memorialized to pass an enabling act at once.

It may be pertinent to inquire whether the sympathetic king of Italy really imagined that in making Masagni "chevalier of the Order of Savoy" he comforted the composer for the loss of those good, hard American dollars.

The Russian army is said to be ready for whatever happens in the Balkans. Meanwhile the Russian peasant continues to go aloof shouldered under the burden which this constant readiness imposes.

A New York man is seeking a separation after one month of married life because his wife has already spent \$23 for groceries and coal. Such extravagance calls for stern rebuke.

On diverse occasions Germany has accused Uncle Sam of being a hog. Germany's attitude toward Venezuela would seem to indicate that she knows how to root.

Swollen bodies were now added to the wreckage on the water. Filipe had sunk on his knees, as if fearful of recognizing a beloved face among them. But the Santa Maria, driven on by a sudden breeze, headed straight for the quay that lay nearest to where the white wall still showed amid the stricken garden.

Hardly conscious of having made the landing, he staggered up the walk and leaped the wall. A groan escaped his lips. There, amid the blackened stems of the camellias, lay a body. It was burned to a crisp far beyond recognition, but the lover could not doubt. Around was silence, desolation, death. And here lay Camille.

"She was watching for me—for the heartless one," he muttered.

CAMILLE OF MARTINIQUE

By MARY WOOD

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Under the brilliant southern stars the white camellias gleamed waxlike. Between the glossy leaves a slender figure leaned over the low white wall that skirted the garden. It seemed a spirit of the night, that face shadowed by dusky hair, gazing down with troubled eyes into the passionate one raised to her own.

"Camille," he whispered, "mia bella, must I still implore you? It is that you do not love me, cruel one."

He seized her hands imperiously as if to draw her to him. They trembled in his hot grasp as her voice sighed: "Filipe, it is you who are cruel. You know—the grapevine is so old. He has none but me. It would kill him if I should fly with you."

The girl's charming patois betrayed the daughter of France, while her deep, mysterious eyes were the heritage of some Indian beauty—a quadroon girl, but none the less vaunted as the heiress of old M. Le Moyne and the belle of St. Pierre, where the color line is but loosely drawn. Her granpere planned great things for her when they should go to Paris in the fall. She was so beautiful; a prince perhaps, or at least a count.

And she? She had already given her heart to the keeping of Filipe, he who only owned a small lugger plying between Martinique and Guadeloupe.

She loved him, and yet she answered all his prayers with "Wait!" Filipe could not understand it. As the night wind, perfumed with the scent of a hundred flowers, caressed her cheek his heart was suddenly filled with a passionate jealousy. She was so beautiful, and she loved him alone, and yet the fates had placed her high above him, so that, as now, he could barely touch the tips of her delicate fingers with his lips. The hot blood of Spain that lent color to his swarthy cheek and fire to his dark eye could not brook such thwarting.

"Camille," he cried impetuously, "let me again implore you! Come with me. The white sails of my Santa Maria will bear you safely to Basse Terre."



THERE, AMID THE BLACKENED STEMS, LAY A BODY.

and there I have a friend, a good padre, who will make us one. Come, my flower."

His voice had softened to infinite tenderness. Camille leaned heavily against the wall, and her words were broken by longing as she whispered, "I cannot!"

A hot tear splashed down upon his hand, but he drew it away roughly. "Enough of tears!" he cried bitterly. "They cost you nothing, while I—I am eating my heart out for you. But you have said 'No' once too often. I swear to you—and he raised his hand and pointed to the distant mountain peak half cloaked in vapor—"I swear to you that your sleeping Filipe shall wake to life before I again seek for your love!"

Camille gave a cry of anguish, but it fell on ears all unheeding. Filipe strode down the road toward the quay with never a backward glance. The girl's face was as waxen as her name-sake's, and like a rudely broken flower she sank on her knees against the wall. Above her sobs came the rumble of Filipe's voice, but she did not hear.

It was at Basse Terre that the news came to Filipe came in a swift succession of horrible rumors, each more terrifying than the last. Filipe had awakened. And St. Pierre? No one knew.

And Camille? Filipe prayed in his heart when his dry lips refused to move. So remembered were his senses from anguish and suffering that the memory of his oath had no longer power to move him. The Santa Maria was headed directly for the port of St. Pierre. Her decks were strewn with naked and stone, her sails and rigging torn and broken, yet gallantly she rode this unknown sea of dirty saffron color, whose sullen water was cumbed with wreckage. She had met huge tidal waves that swept away her crew, for she could not fall the hand of the man at the helm.

The pilot's eyes, bloodshot by long hours of vigil, were fixed on the hissing heaps which alone remained to tell the story of St. Pierre.

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the wreckage on the water. Filipe had sunk on his knees, as if fearful of recognizing a beloved face among them. But the Santa Maria, driven on by a sudden breeze, headed straight for the quay that lay nearest to where the white wall still showed amid the stricken garden.

Hardly conscious of having made the landing, he staggered up the walk and leaped the wall. A groan escaped his lips. There, amid the blackened stems of the camellias, lay a body. It was burned to a crisp far beyond recognition, but the lover could not doubt. Around was silence, desolation, death. And here lay Camille.

"She was watching for me—for the heartless one," he muttered.

Then sudden fury seized him. "I shall not leave you here, my flower one!" he cried. "There must be places on this accursed island still untouched by fire. I will lay you to sleep there under fragrant blossoms, and then perhaps the saints will ease me of my misery."

Stripping off his coat, he wrapped it tenderly about the body, hiding the face, and bore it down to the quay.

Again the favoring wind sprang up, and the Santa Maria crept slowly down the bay, and still the voice of Filipe thundered from the peak wreathed in forked lightnings. Her ashes fell ceaselessly on the shrouded figure at the foot of the mast and on the head of the pilot. His hands and face were blackened and burned and his eyes were blinded by smoke and dust, but his hand still kept the helm and the Santa Maria her way.

The Dixie's deck was crowded with anxious men, for were they not already entering the great zone of ashes that surrounded the fated island? Through the gloom came the gleam of a sail, "Ship ahoy!" brought no answer.

"Probably refugees and too dazed to speak," one man said commiseratingly. "No; not dazed—only dead," another replied, for Filipe had added another victim to her list, and the saints had released Filipe from his misery. Perhaps—who knows?—he found his flower one again in all her radiant beauty where camellias ever bloom.

Recognized Him.

A professor in the Harvard Law school has a memory which plays him false on all matters except points of law. He cannot remember his men. When the school opened last fall a student who prides himself on his reputation with the instructors and makes himself felt by wise questions in the classroom approached the professor and held out his hand.

The professor hesitated a moment over the man's name and finally got it out in triumph.

The student was highly elated and a few minutes after said with proud satisfaction to the professor's secretary:

"The old boy seems to be getting his memory back. He hesitated only a minute before he called me by name. Pretty good after a three months' vacation, isn't it?"

"Why," replied the secretary, "it's funny he hesitated when I had just told him your name. He saw you coming across the hall and asked me who you were."—Youth's Companion.

The Mistletoe Legend.

Here is the real historic reason for a very pretty custom that should never be allowed to die out. It is the good old Christmas custom of kissing a girl when you catch her under the mistletoe. Here is the legend:

"Balder, the Scandinavian god of poetry and eloquence, was protected from the violence of his enemies by the promise of everything in earth, fire and water not to harm him.

"The mistletoe only had not been asked, and Loki, his enemy, discovered this, got another man to shoot him with an arrow formed of it. Then all the gods and goddesses mourned grievously, and at their urgent request Balder was restored to life, because he was greatly loved.

"So to the goddess of love the mistletoe was given to guard and keep, and every one passing underneath the bough she held kissed her as a sign that henceforth the branch was an emblem not of death, but of love."—Kansas City Independent.

A Play Within A Play.

Atkins Lawrence in recalling his appearances with Mary Anderson when she was a youthful aspirant for stellar honors in the east says: "I was getting a little stout in those days, even though I was a young fellow, and as Claude Melnotte, I had a vest that I had supplied with three powerful buckles in the back. These I would draw as tightly as possible to make myself slim. One night I had just finished my description of my palace and knelt down to say, 'Likest thou the picture, Pauline?' when suddenly all three of the buckles gave way with a snap that set the people in the orchestra tittering. 'What's the matter, Atkins?' Mary Anderson said in a stage whisper. 'My vest buckles have broken,' I answered. 'That's all right,' she replied. 'I was afraid it was your suspenders.'"

The Principal Weapons of Death.

The fifteen principal causes of death, with the rate per 100,000, made public by the census bureau, are as follows: Pneumonia, 191.5; consumption, 191.5; heart disease, 134; diarrheal diseases, 86.1; kidney diseases, 83.7; apoplexy, 68.6; cancer, 60; old age, 54; bronchitis, 48.3; cholera infantum, 47.8; debility, 45.5; inflammation of the brain and meninges, 41.8; diphtheria, 34.4; typhoid, 33.8; and premature birth, 33.7. Death from all principal causes shows a decrease since 1890, the most notable being consumption, which shows a decrease of 54.9 per 100,000.—Medical and Hygienic Gazette.

GEMS IN VERSE.

Poverty.

The people call him rich; his lands stretch very far and very wide; They call him rich, but there he stands ill clad and bent and hollow eyed.

The people call him rich; his gold is piled in many a yellow heap. But he is all alone and old. And when he dies no one will weep.

They call him rich, but where he dwells The doors are bare, the walls are black; They call him rich; he buys and sells, But he fond fingers stroke his cheek.

They call him rich; he does not know The happiness of standing where Sweet winds across the meadows blow And toss the verdant billows there. —S. E. Kiser in Harper's.

Woman's High For A Pocket.

How dear to this heart are the old fashioned dresses When fond recollection presents them to view!

In fancy I see the old wardrobe and press Where held the loved gowns that in girlhood I knew, The wide spreading mobair, the silk that hung from it.

The ruffled foulard, the pink organdie nightgown.

But oh, for the pocket that hung in each gown.

The old fashioned pocket, the obsolete pocket.

The praiseworthy pocket that hung in each gown.

The dear, roomy pocket I'd hail as a treasure.

Could I but behold it in gowns of today; I'd find it the source of an exquisite pleasure.

But all my modistes sternly answer me: "T'would be so convenient when going out shopping."

"T'would hold my small purchases coming from town, And always my purse or my kerchief I'm dropping."

Oh, yes, for the pocket that hung in my gown!

The old fashioned pocket, the obsolete pocket.

The praiseworthy pocket that hung in my gown.

A gown with a pocket, how fondly I'd guard it!

Each day ere I'd don it I'd brush it with care.

Not that I'd prize its costume could make me discard it.

Though trimmed with the laces an empress might wear;

But I have no hope, for the fashion is banished;

The tear of regret will my fond visions drown!

As fancy reverts to the days that have vanished

I sigh for the pocket that hung in my gown.

The old fashioned pocket, the obsolete pocket.

The praiseworthy pocket that hung in my gown.

—Carolyn Wells in Christian Endeavor World.

Climbing Up the Hill.

Happy Go Lucky and Faint of Heart Set off on a journey with Only Try. And each was ready to do his part.

While the sunny hours went merrily by, But when the shadows were growing long And the crickets chirping their evening song Up rose like a barrier mighty strong A rocky hillside high.

Said Happy Go Lucky, "Suppose we wait. And somebody passing may give us a lift."

"We shall break our necks if we climb so late!"

Poor Faint of Heart, in a panic, cried, "But Only Try, with a resolute eye, Looked up at the hill and the sunset sky. 'There is plenty of time,' said Only Try, 'And the moon is full besides.'"

So Only Try, without stay or stop, Went clambering up over rock and root Till he stood at last on the hill's green top.

In a beautiful clearing, with flowers and fruit, But the other two were waiting still, For nobody lives or ever will That can reach the top of the smallest hill By sitting down at the foot!

—New York News.

Folded Arms.

'Tis not the man with match alight Behind the barricade Nor he who stoops to dynamite That makes us feel afraid.

For halter end and prison cell! Soon capture these brief alarms, But where are found the means to quell The man with folded arms?

We dread the man who folds his arms And tells the simple truth, Whose strong, impetuous protest charms The virgin ear of youth.

Who scorns the vengeance that we wreak And smiles to meet his doom, Who on the scaffold still can speak And preaches from the tomb.

We kill the man with dagger drawn, The man with loaded gun; They never see the morning dawn Nor ban the rising sun.

But who shall slay the immortal man Whom nothing mortal harms, Who never fought and never ran, The man with folded arms.

—Ernest Crosby.

Half Done.

There's naught completed under the sun; A wall that's hushed with a mother's lullaby and a moment's bliss, And the babe's a youth ere the song's half sung.

There's nothing finished since life begun; A torn book and a grimy slate, A threat to know; but, alas, too late, For the boy's a man and the task not done.

And the days pass over one by one; A bit of fame and a dream that flies, A hand outreached for a shadowy prize, And the runner's dead, though the race half run.

—Augusta Kortrecht in New York Press.

Right Shall Prevail.

The way of the transgressor is too hard To tempt sane spirits, even were the prize.

The one degradation which his eyes Sought in the devious struggle. He is barred.

From the respect of all his fellows, scarred By secret sins and branded by the lies With which his soul is burdened. Would he rise?

His feet are pierced by ragged stone and shroud.

Though wrong a while triumphant may appear, Though Mammon smooth the way that evil trends, Though right be ravished and the right-ous fear

And honor for a time seem torn to shreds, True yet shall triumph, though the wicked sneer.

And all their sins recoil upon their heads. —W. L. Clanchain in St. Louis Post-Dispatch.



I used to crave my cup of tea. Altho' 'twould often disagree, But now I say, just you give me

Cream of Chocolate

—MOTHER SABAOTY.

As a general beverage for breakfast, luncheon or supper, Cream of Chocolate is infinitely superior to anything else drank by the American people. It is a new scientific preparation of the cocoa bean, combined with pure sugar and pure rich cream. It is instantly prepared with only the addition of boiling water. Pure, convenient, economical. All chefs endorse its use wherever chocolate is needed for culinary purposes.

Mrs. Violet Sanborn, Instructor of Journal Composition School, Chicago, says: "I certainly merit all the high compliments paid it." Coupon found in every 1 lb. can makes you eligible for grand prize contest for recipes for our recipe book.

Ask your dealer—if he cannot supply send 25 cents and we will prepay you a 1/2 lb. can. CREAM OF CHOCOLATE CO., Danvers, Mass.

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Masonic

At the recent session of the grand chapter of Colorado the following decision of the grand high priest was approved: "No chapter shall receive the petition of a companion for affiliation unless he shall have visited the said chapter at least once previous to the presenting of such petition, and he shall visit the chapter once subsequent to the reception of the same before the ballot shall be spread thereon."

The Masons of Havana own their own building and have one of the best and most spacious lodge rooms in the island.

The Masons of St. Joseph, Mich., will erect a \$40,000 Masonic temple. Lord Kitchener was installed as district grand master of the Punjab by the Duke of Connaught at a Masonic gathering recently at Delhi.

The new Scottish Rite cathedral in Portland, Ore., will be sumptuously furnished. One of the features of its equipment is to be a \$10,000 organ exhibited by the Eolian company at the Pan-American exposition.

The grand chapter of Pennsylvania has twenty-seven district deputy grand high priests.

A temple to cost \$50,000 will be erected by the Masonic lodges in Englewood, Ill.

A \$75,000 Masonic temple is to be erected in Sioux City, Ia.

Nothing can please your worshipful master and his officers better than to have a well filled and crowded lodge at the meetings, says the Keystone. It enthralls the officers, and better work is the result.

Reports read at the recent session of the grand lodge of Utah show a membership in that jurisdiction of 1,088. The gain for the year was 101.

A monument to the late Dean O'Mara will be erected in Winnipeg by the Masons of Manitoba and the Northwest Territories.

ODD FELLOWS.

Lodges of the Order in Many Countries—Friendly Gripe.

In speaking of the order recently Grand Sire Goodwin said: "While the I. O. F. is an American order, yet the principles upon which it is founded are so broad that it appeals to the people of all countries. To the north of us, in Canada, where the red flag of England waves, there are many thousands of Odd Fellows, while there are grand lodges in Germany, Australasia, the Netherlands, Sweden and Switzerland. At the meeting of the sovereign lodge sixteen different countries, with many different banners, are sometimes represented."

The order is now about to enter South Africa, and it is predicted by many that the membership in that part of the globe will be second only to the membership in the United States.

There will soon be enough Rebekah lodges in Washington for the formation of an assembly. This is a consummation long desired by Washington Odd Fellows.

Missouri has one of the finest Odd Fellows' homes in the country. It is situated in Liberty and cost \$100,000. California's 364 subordinate lodges, 260 Rebekah lodges, 91 encampments and 25 cantons have a combined membership of over 60,000.

There is every reason to believe that Odd Fellowship is entering upon an era of unrivaled prosperity, says the Odd Fellows' Herald. Now let every member become enthused and do his duty, and the result at the end of the year will be astonishing.

MACCABEES

The supreme tent has been marvelously successful during the year 1902, and there has been a larger gain in membership than in any previous year in the history of the order. More than \$500,000 has been added to the surplus fund.

When the order loses a member it loses a friend and the member's family loses the protection. Prevent suspensions!

Sir Knight Liebert has been commander of New York City tent for fifteen years.

Tents should have more "at homes" and "family gatherings." "Stag" parties are all right, but may be too numerous.

The state of Iowa closed the year 1902 with 8,000 members in good standing.

During the latter part of 1902 good gains in membership were made in Indiana. The ten largest tents in the jurisdiction now have a membership of about 7,000.

Illinois is a very strong Maccabee jurisdiction. The twenty largest tents in the state have a membership of over 10,000. Apollo tent alone has about 2,500 members.

Knights of Honor.

It is safe to join the Knights of Honor, for the protection promised at cost price is fully assured, and it has long passed the experimental stage.

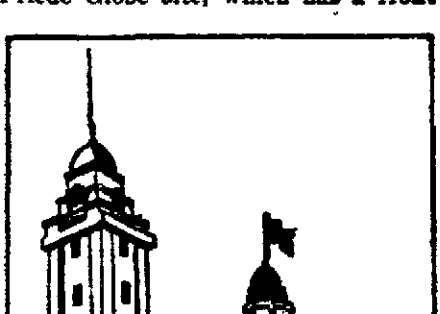
The order will be thirty years old next June, and during that period has kept every promise and paid every legitimate death claim, disbursing over \$78,000,000 to the beneficiaries of its dead.

In its financial state the order has never been in better condition, and reports from all over the United States indicate a sure and healthy growth in membership prevailing.

RED MEN

One of the best known and most popular Red Men in the south is M. C. White, the great sachem of Georgia.

The day he was twenty-one years old, Nov. 1, 1889, he was initiated in Creek tribe of Columbus and four years later entered the great council of Georgia. Since then he has been among its most prominent members. Mr. White was elected great junior saganore of the Cracker State in 1900, the following year promoted to senior saganore and last May became great sachem. The order in Georgia is in a most flourishing condition. During the past year eleven new tribes and several councils of the Degree of Pochontas have been organized.



Special efforts are now being put forth to increase the membership in the Improved Order of Red Men, and within the past few months large additions have been made to the membership.

About 200 badges of honor have been distributed among the tribes of Pennsylvania, which means a large increase in membership.

In Texas the lowest legal fee for the degrees is 12 fathoms.

The Past Sachems' Association of the State of New York is planning a headquarters in New York city to be used by Red Men of the various jurisdictions who visit the metropolis.

The year has been started with great activity by the Red Men. During the cold moon many palefaces were captured.

ODD FELLOWS.

The Order's Charitable Work—Triple Link Notes.

The order has expended in charitable work \$92,000,000. It expended in benevolent work last year \$4,000,000. This does not include the contributions of individual Odd Fellows.

The grand lodge of the District of Columbia has taken favorable action regarding the establishment of an Odd Fellows' home for widows and orphans in that jurisdiction.

What more beautiful or higher tribute can be paid a man than this—his whole life was a demonstration of the principles of Odd Fellowship?

Odd Fellows' homes for aged members, widows and orphans have been established in nearly every state and territory in the United States and in other countries where the order exists.

The grand sire's report as made to the sovereign grand lodge showed Odd Fellowship the largest and wealthiest fraternal body in the world.

Recently a suspended member of Orient lodge of Portland, Ore., paid \$122 to be reinstated, and a suspended member of a California lodge cheerfully paid \$170 to get back in the order.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS

Oregon reports the endowment rank holding its own in that jurisdiction, the uniform rank prosperous, five new lodges instituted and a good increase in membership.

Grand Chancellor Black has been obliged to leave Alabama on account of sickness, and Grand Vice Chancellor Ellis has succeeded him.

The report of H. O. Cuse, G. K. of R. and S. of Connecticut, shows sixty-two lodges, with a membership of 4,437.

The Pythian temple to be erected in Washington will be one of the finest Pythian buildings in the country.

Connecticut has 870 members of the endowment rank.

MODERN WOODMEN.

Growth of the Order in 1902—Notes and Gossip.

For the year 1902 there were 1,040 new camps chartered and 94,068 benefit certificates issued to new members, says the Modern Woodman. The net increase in benefit membership for the year was \$2,460 and a gain of 487 camps. It is proper to state that during the year many of the small camps having less than fifteen members were consolidated with other stronger camps.

There are 600 camps in Michigan, with a membership of nearly 30,000.

The death losses for December were \$36,000 more than for November, being \$487,000 as against \$451,000 for November. In December, 1901, the death losses were \$444,000.

Missouri began the year with over 65,000 members and 1,025 camps.

Modern Woodmen of America is today one of the most attractive fraternal beneficiary societies in the United States.

Sentiment favorable to some kind of readjustment is now quite general.

Knights of Khorassan.

Royal Prince J. R. Stine has been elected grand vice chancellor of Nebraska.

Imperial Prince Holmes has been elected esteemed leading knight of St. Louis lodge, No. 9, B. P. O. E. This in the natural course of events will put him in the chair of exalted ruler for world's fair year.

MASONIC.

Membership of the Order in Canada. Treebeard Designs.

The grand lodge of Canada in the province of Ontario has 362 lodges under its jurisdiction, with a membership of 28,239. Manitoba has 70 subordinate lodges, with a total of 3,233 members. Then follows Nova Scotia, with 62 lodges and 3,574 members. Next comes Quebec, with 57 lodges and 3,668 members; New Brunswick, with 34 lodges and 1,884 members; British Columbia, with 32 lodges and 1,978 members; and Prince Edward Island, with 13 lodges and 359 members.

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Odd Fellows

There are now something like 23,000 I. O. F. organizations—over 12,000 subordinate lodges, over 540,000 Rebekah lodges, between 2,000 and 3,000 encampments, over 500 cantons, 55 grand encampments and 86 grand lodges.

At the beginning of the year the Odd Fellows' home of Pennsylvania contained sixty aged inmates. During 1902 thirteen were admitted, and by a singular coincidence the same number died during the year.

The Odd Fellows lodge established in Manila has begun work. It is composed of Americans, Germans and Englishmen in that city.

The social side of Odd Fellowship is not to be ignored, but rather encouraged. Fraternal visits afford much enjoyment and pleasure and are a means of mingling together to exchange courtesy and greeting and form companionships that often last through life.

The pastor of the First M. E. church of Carlinville, Ill., Rev. Dr. J. A. Lucas, was recently elected grand junior warden of the grand lodge of Illinois.

The Popular Odd Fellow says, "The salary of the grand treasurer of the grand lodge of Montana is \$50 a year, and he is bonded for \$20,000." In California, says the New Age, the grand treasurer gives a big bond and gets no salary at all.

MASONIC.

A Masonic Cathedral for Chicago. Temple Chaps.

Oriental consistory of Chicago is to build a Masonic cathedral that will cost \$500,000. Already \$250,000 of the sum to be invested in the new home for Oriental consistory has been subscribed. According to the present plans, the structure is to be an elaborate one, ranking second to none of the kind in this country. Oriental consistory now has a membership of more than 2,500, included in which are many of Chicago's most influential citizens.

Plans are on foot for an exhibit at the St. Louis world's fair to be known as "Solomon's temple." The cornerstone of the building will be laid by Masons, and the temple will be so constructed that it can be taken apart and exhibited in other cities.

James D. Richardson, who will retire from politics to devote his time to Masonry, will receive a salary of \$10,000 a year and will be given a handsome residence in Washington.

Lu Lu temple of Philadelphia now has 3,463 members, and the receipts last year were nearly \$31,000.

California commandery, No. 1, Knights Templars of San Francisco, is making extensive preparations for entertaining the Templars and their friends who will visit San Francisco in 1904.

The reports for the year just closed show that there are nearly 7,000 master Masons holding membership in the lodges in Washington, the net gain for the year being 454.

The fund for the establishment of a Masonic sanitarium for consumptives in New York city is growing rapidly.

Two well known Michigan Masons died recently, John J. Bardwell and Charles T. Hillis. The latter was styled "the grand old man of Michigan Masonry."

MODERN WOODMEN

John D. Brock of Oklahoma is the leading district deputy for the year 1902, he having secured 1,464 adoptions. The second in rank was John Grantham of Kansas, whose record is 1,109.

On Jan. 1 the order had a total membership of 704,635.

There were over 40,000 members in good standing in Nebraska at the beginning of the year.

The deputies in 1902 organized 1,045 new camps and secured the adoption of 67,303 members.

Minnesota had close to 50,000 members in good standing on Jan. 1.

Knights of Malta.

In March the representatives composed of the different past commanders of the commanderies in New York state will convene at Syracuse for the purpose of forming and instituting a grand commandery. This will be a progressive step and assure the order a large growth in membership.

The committee appointed by the supreme commandery at Portland, Me., has arranged details for a ladies' branch of the order. The order will be known as the Dames of Malta and will have the degrees. Everything is now in readiness to begin the work of organization.

The benefits derived by members of the Dames of Malta will be fraternity and sick and funeral benefits. The work is beautiful, all being founded on the Bible. The officers' titles are lady superior, lady excellent, lady matron, keeper of archives, assistant keeper of archives, bursar, sister Rachel and trustees.

Order of Elks.

Baltimore Elks are making great preparations for the grand lodge meeting in July. "Baltimore clubs" are being organized in many states, and it is estimated that 75,000 Elks and visitors will be in attendance.

A state organization of Texas Elks was organized recently.

The growth of the order of Elks in northern Texas during the last two years has been almost remarkable, the membership in that jurisdiction being approximately 3,000.

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EASTERN DIVISION.

Winter Arrangement.

(In effect October 13, 1902.)

Trains Leave Portsmouth

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For Rochester—9:45, 9:55 a. m., 2:40, 2:45, 5:22, 5:30 p. m.

For Dover—4:50, 9:45 a. m., 12:15, 2:40, 5:22, 8:47 p. m. Sunday, 8:30, 10:45 a. m., 8:47 p. m.

For North Hampton and Hampton—7:20, 8:15, 10:53 a. m., 5:00 p. m. Sunday, 8:00 a. m., 5:00 p. m.

For Greenland—7:20, 8:15, 10:53 a. m., 5:00 p. m. Sunday 8:00 a. m., 5:00 p. m.

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Leave Portland—1:50, 9:00 a. m., 12:45, 5:00 p. m. Sunday, 50 a. m., 12:45, 5:00 p. m.

Leave North Conway—7:25 a. m., 4:15 p. m.

Leave Rochester—7:19, 9:41 a. m., 8:50, 6:25 p. m. Sunday, 7:00 a. m.

Leave Somersworth—6:35, 7:32, 10:00 a. m., 4:05, 6:50 p. m.

Leave Dover—6:50, 10:24 a. m., 1:40, 4:30, 6:30, 9:20 p. m. Sunday, 7:30 a. m., 9:20 p. m.

Leave Hampton—9:22, 11:50 a. m., 2:13, 4:59, 5:16 p. m. Sunday, 10:06 a. m., 7:59 p. m.

Leave North Hampton—9:28, 11:55 a. m., 2:19, 5:05, 6:21 p. m. Sunday 10:12 a. m., 8:05 p. m.

Leave Greenland—9:35 a. m., 12:01, 2:25, 5:11, 6:27 p. m. Sunday, 10:18 a. m., 8:10 p. m.

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FRIDAY, FEB. 27, 1903.

It is not often that so influential and numerically strong an organization as the League of American Wheelmen was a few years ago, shrinks in the course of a very short time to the condition of feebleness now presented by that body. Five years ago the league numbered 105,000 members, and in nearly every state of the union there were sufficient numbers of wheelmen's clubs to have a state branch of the league; the wheelmen's patronage was catered for almost everywhere by hotel men, and at the many "wheelmen's rest" hostilities they were allowed special rates. The league exercised a powerful influence in the forwarding of the good roads movement, and the prophet who had then predicted the speedy dying out of the great organization would have had no honor in his own country or anywhere else. But at the annual meeting of the central governing board of the league this year the secretary's report showed the membership to be now but a little over 5,000, and that in but six states is the state organization of the L. A. W. still maintained. This tremendous decline is not easy to explain. Why the bicycle reached the degree of popularity it once had was not so difficult to understand; it afforded such an easy, convenient cheap means of transportation as the public had never had or even dreamed of, and everybody wanted to use it, and used it was to an extent that almost ruined the lively stable business for a time. Then there were clubs and club runs, and "century runs" and the scorcher, and road races, and bicycle parks, and races "under L. A. W. sanction," and at country fairs the bicycle contest bade fair for a time to displace the agricultural horse trot. In cities, when a fire alarm was sounded more boys and men, and girls, too, would whirl along the streets beside the fire engines or ahead of them, on wheels, than hurried along on the sidewalks, and the grammar school pupil who lived a half mile from the school house and did not come to school on his bike was a source of wonder to his fellows. But the craze died down more swiftly than it arose, and the wheel has now settled into being mainly a thing of use instead of a plaything. The extension almost everywhere of the electric railway partially accounts for the decadence of the wheel, no doubt, but does not wholly explain it.

United States congress to pass a big subsidy bill, but why Americans oppose it is a mystery.

The grade crossing has been responsible for more deaths than war.

After Rockefeller has bought up all the colleges now existing there will still be land enough to enable him to erect buildings for the accommodation of some new ones.

Mr. Bryan's appeal to democrats "who are democrats from principle" gives cause for wonder what principle the democratic party has except to get control of the public offices.

An immigrant who has no money, no visible means of support and who can neither speak, read nor write English cannot be regarded as a valuable accession to our population.

PENCIL POINTS.

England must find Canada a very troublesome child.

There are a few weak countries left with which Germany can pick a quarrel.

And it is even said that it won't be necessary to buy St. Louis to see the big fair.

One of the modern methods of acquiring riches is the foundation of new religions.

Among the most ingenious men in the country are those who invent the trust excuses for raising prices.

Some of the stuff given to the world under the name of poetry makes us long for Shakespeare and Milton.

There are all sorts of ways of getting a living, but the way least likely to land a fellow in jail is to work for it.

It would be hard to convince some men that the game played at Monte Carlo isn't squarer than the one played on Wall street.

If the powers really want those Venezuelan fishing smacks they might at least have the grace to say "thank you" to the owners.

The man who invests his money in a hundred per cent. dividend scheme has no right to sneer at the man who tries to blow out an electric light.

It is easy to understand why foreign ship owners do not want the

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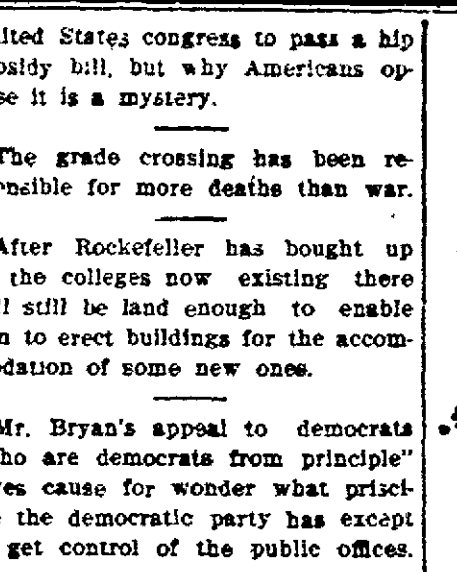
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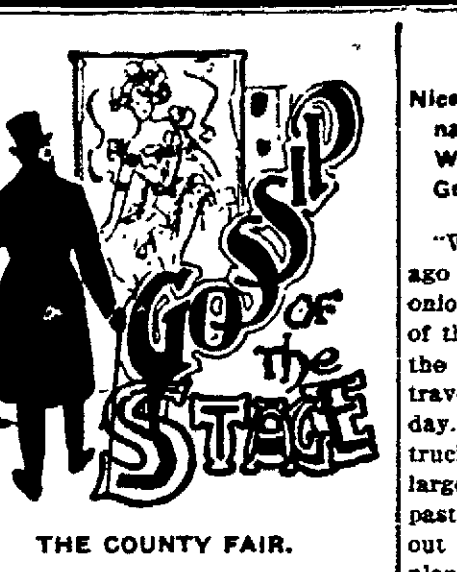
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WHAT FOLKS SAY.

Nice and Balm "Way Down in Savannah"—Women and Cigarettes—Weather Bureau Defended—How to Get a Good "Feed" Cheaply.

"When I left Savannah a few days ago green cabbages, turnips, green onions, carrots and all other articles of the green vegetable nature were in the market in abundance," said a traveling man at the Rockingham today. "They were from the local truck farms and were healthy and large varieties. The weather of the past week or ten days has brought out the gardens wonderfully, and the plants that were set back some few weeks ago by the freeze have developed wonderfully. In the winter, the vegetable product will be shown in abundance. I noticed some home-grown strawberries that were delicious in taste, though they are not plentiful in that neighborhood as yet."

"The effort being made by the tobacco manufacturers before congress to have a law enacted to prohibit the use of coupons and tags as prizes in oped remarkably. If no further way towards breaking up the cigarette smoking habit among women," said a man whose business takes him all over the land. "I have been in the tobacco business for a number of years, and you would be surprised to see how great a hold cigarettes have taken on women since prizes are offered for smoking the greatest number of cigarettes by returning the coupons to the manufacturer. The manufacturers offer anything from a paper of pins to a grand piano, and in addition to having their male friends buy cigarettes having coupons with them the women buy large quantities themselves, and having the cigarettes the temptation has been to smoke them and this habit has grown as the result."

"The utility of the general weather packages of tobacco will go a long people, yet as a general thing the first thing one reads when he picks up a newspaper is the daily weather forecast," said an observant man bureau is not appreciated by most papers in the United States that print in a conspicuous place the daily weather report and forecast sent out "There are over two thousand daily distribution from the weather bureau from Washington, and there is a daily time that place information in the hands of those whose personal interests are affected by the weather. In of 20,000 telegrams, maps and bulletins this way nearly every one of Uncle Sam's clients is brought in touch with the office in Washington."

"One of the cleverest 'grafts' I ever saw was worked the other day in a quick lunch restaurant on Park Row, in New York," said a Portsmouth man who has just returned from the metropolis. "I noticed two men talking earnestly just below the place as I was going in to get my lunch. One of them followed me in and took a seat just below me at the table. A few seconds later the other entered and took a seat opposite his friend, whom he did not appear to know. The first man ordered a very extensive dinner, commencing with soup and ending with charlotte russe and coffee. He got the very best that the place could afford, and his check for a dollar and thirty-five cents was placed in front of him. The other man took his time about ordering, taking corned beef and beans—ten cents' worth. His check was placed in the center of the table, between the two men.

"Number One ate hastily and finished first. He got up, put on his hat, and then calmly picked up the ten-cent check that belonged to his friend. Without turning a hair he went to the desk, paid ten cents and walked out. A few minutes later Number Two, who had been reading the paper, prepared to leave, and took up the remaining check. He appeared greatly surprised and called the waiter, asking for an explanation. There was nothing for the knight of the napkin to do but give the man a

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FAMILY HELD UP.

Eight Masked Men Forcebly Enter A House.

Attempt To Secure Money By Tormenting It's Occupants.

Robbers Secure Three Hundred Dollars And A Quantity Of Jewelry.

Toledo, O., Feb. 26.—Eight masked robbers entered the home of Christian Joehlin, two miles from the city, last night, by battering in the doors with clubs.

Those in the house were Mr. and Mrs. Joehlin, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Joehlin, John Anderson, Joseph Joehlin, a three year old son, and an eighteen months old girl. All were clubbed into insensibility, bound and gagged.

When the Joehlins recovered consciousness, the robbers demanded \$20,000, which they said they knew to be in the house. Upon being told that there was no such amount in the building, they applied burning torches to the faces and feet of their victims, even blistering the feet of the infant, in an endeavor to make the captives disclose the hiding place of their money. They finally obtained about \$300 in cash and some jewelry.

The intruders then prepared a meal and coolly devoured it, remaining in the house about five hours, at the end of which time they departed and disappeared.

WILLING TO RESIGN.

President Murkland Says He Is Wronged But Will Make No Fight.

Durham, Feb. 26.—With reference to the prospect that Rev. C. S. Murkland, president of New Hampshire college, is to resign at the request of the governor and council and the trustees, it was learned today at the college that President Murkland will offer no opposition if the authorities of the institution desire his withdrawal.

The president of the college will not discuss the matter.

A close friend of Dr. Murkland said today that the president feels that he has been greatly wronged and that he is indifferent as to whether he goes or stays.

He has not really cared for the last two years, owing to the attitude of the trustees towards him, whether he remained head of the college or not, and he does not intend now to make any fight.

He will resign if the trustees so desire.

The Zeta Epsilon Zeta society has adopted resolutions expressing regret at the reported action of the governor and council and board of trustees of the college in calling for the resignation of President Murkland and protesting against the reported action of the governor and council.

RUSSIAN CONSUL MURDERED.

Albanians Reported To Have Killed The Representative Of The Czar.

Vienna, Austria, Feb. 26.—A despatch to the Helt from Constantinople announces that M. Rulung, the Russian consul at Mitrovitz, Albania, has been murdered by Albanians.

The consulate was established in 1902 in the face of the bitter and persistent opposition of the inhabitants, who would not allow the consulate to be opened until a strong force of troops was sent against them and reduced two villages to ashes.

ORDERED TO PORTSMOUTH.

Monitor Nevada Will Be Put In Commission At Naval Station Here.

Washington, Feb. 26.—The secretary of the navy has accepted the monitor Nevada, built at the Bath Iron Works and directed that the ship be put in commission at the navy yard at Portsmouth, N. H., about Mar. 1.

ROOSEVELT THE CHIEF SPEAKER.

Helps Methodist Society To Honor Memory Of John Wesley.

New York, Feb. 26.—President Roosevelt was the chief speaker to-night at the great mass meeting in Carnegie hall, held under the auspices of the New York Thank Offering

committee to do honor to the character and labors of John Wesley, the founder of Methodism.

Samuel W. Bond presided and when President Roosevelt was introduced the entire audience rose and greeted him with vociferous cheers.

After the meeting, the president was driven to the University club and thence went directly to Jersey City, where he took the train which left the Pennsylvania station at 12.45 on his return to Washington.

SAILORS' SUPERSTITIONS.

Queer Ideas Possessed By Those Who Go Down To The Sea In Ships.

Among the ancient superstitions of Jack, the sailorman, there is one that sticks like the odor of pitch to a spilled hawser. Those who go down to the sea in ships are still reluctant to go down on Friday. Many superstitions have been attributed to sailors; some of them are myths, but this one about sailing on Friday is a reality, as the captains of all sea going ships know.

Why they consider it ill-luck to sail on Friday the men before the mast cannot explain, but they have stored in their forecabin tales many lurid narratives of the experiences of the ships that started on a voyage on Friday. If it is around the Horn, severest gales are sure to be met with, and it is two to one that the rocks of Magellan will send her to the bottom; if it is to Liverpool or Lisbon, the trades are sure to fail or there will be a man overboard before the Bahamas lie astern.

The Latin seamen are peculiarly susceptible to this superstition. Spanish and Portuguese sailors especially. Their fears are shared by the French and Italians. Germans, English, and Norwegians are inclined that way a little, but Uncle Sam's jolly tars have very little fear of God and none of the devil. That is why they are the best sailors and fighting men in the world.

"Give us a blow," said an American shellback, "and we don't give a continental whether it is Friday or Monday."

When the Latins discover their captain preparing to weigh anchor in the stream on Friday, they lag back in their work in the rigging or in getting provisions on board and usually manage to delay sailing until the last day of the week.

The large ocean steamship companies make no distinction on account of Friday and the crews of the trans-Atlantic liners take little interest in it.

EXETER BOWLERS COMING.

The Exeter candle pin team will come to Portsmouth tonight to try conclusions with a team representing this city. The locals hope to make a better showing than in previous games rolled with the Exeter men this winter.

INTERESTING, IF TRUE.

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One grain of the active principle in Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets will digest 3,000 grains of meat, eggs or other wholesome food, and this claim has been proven by actual experiment which anyone can perform for himself in the following manner: Cut hard boiled eggs into very small pieces, as it would be if masticated, place the egg and two or three of the tablets in a bottle or jar containing warm water heated to 98 degrees (the temperature of the body) and keep it at this temperature for three and one-half hours, at the end of which time the egg will be as completely digested as it would have been in the healthy stomach of a hungry boy.

The point of this experiment is that what Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets will do to the egg in the bottle it will do to the egg or meat in the stomach and nothing else will rest and invigorate the stomach so safely and effectually. Even a little child can take Stuart's Tablets with safety and benefit, if its digestion is weak, and the thousands of cures accomplished by their regular daily use are easily explained when it is understood that they are composed of vegetable essences, aseptic pepsin, diastase and Golden Seal which mingles with the food and digests it thoroughly, giving the over-worked stomach a chance to recuperate.

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ADVERSE REPORT.

Committee Turns Down Newington Electric Road.

Act Incorporating It, However, Recommended By The House.

Dartmouth College Appropriation Bill Receives Approval Of The Senate.

Concord, Feb. 26.—The house today passed acts incorporating the Haverhill, the Epping, Brentwood and Kingston and the Goffs Falls, Litchfield and Hudson street railways.

The committee on railroads reported adversely the bill incorporating the Portsmouth and Newington railroad, but after a lively fight, led by Mr. Badger of Newington, the house refused to adopt the report and ordered the bill recommitted, with instructions to report the bill in proper form for passage.

A number of important new measures came in from committees, including acts fixing the state tax for the next two years at \$300,000 a year, an annual reduction of \$125,000.

Requiring non-residents to secure licenses before hunting deer in the state;

Investigating the remodeling of the state house.

Favorable reports were made by committees upon important bills on the state sanitarium for consumptives and for the care of all dependent insane by the state.

The senate passed house bills authorizing the Connecticut River railroad to acquire stock in the Vermont Valley railroad;

Incorporating the Nashua and Hollis Electric railway;

Appropriating \$40,000 for Dartmouth college

MEMORIES OF THE FAIR.

Description Of One of The Principal Features of The Big Exhibit.

Looking backward and calling up the memories of the Portsmouth Athletic club's fair the exhibit which impressed the writer most was that of the quaint little Dutch dwelling. This was the production of J. E. Hoxie, while the entire furnishings were provided by the Portsmouth Furniture company, represented by A. A. Mooney.

It is difficult to describe without taking too much space the forceful details which contributed to a realistic effect. The study even of the elements that entered into the combination of details to form so perfect a whole would take longer than the production of the piece itself, which engaged Mr. Hoxie only four days. This rugged freedom that a painter enjoys in making his deceptive handiwork create images so real by his intelligence dominating his mechanical will, whereby a few mere shifts of the hand in broken execution by detached and sharply defined touches is something few can understand, but the result of which few can fail to appreciate.

Approaching this remarkable looth and suddenly perceiving the little Dutch dwelling with its pointed facade, red brick walls, countless window panes, and blunted triangle of red tiled roof with its edge steps one would almost imagine that he had suddenly been dropped down in Hoog Straat of Rotterdam. This notion however, is dispelled as soon as one steps across the threshold of the entrance, for there he finds himself in a Dutch parlor with no other evidence of a dwelling house in view. But the illusion is none the less real, for this room certainly fulfills the laudable purpose of the artist in using all his space to the best advantage.

No, they are not real flag stones that you are stepping on. The painter has simply passed his deft brush across the old board floor with little daubs of black that are shadowed with gray, at angles with the length, and the gaping black cracks do the rest. Yet who was not wholly deceived in its appearance? But the walls with its panels, paintings in delft and blue tile frieze, and the ceiling with its beams and tints of soft gray with their shades and shadows—it would take columns to describe it fittingly. Then there is the fireplace with its flaming coals, and mantle with its treasures of urns and candles, and no charm of faithful reproduction seems to have been lost. Looking through the window in front one sees the passing throng as in a city street, and through the other window one catches glimpses of dail-

walled houses with their yellow lights, the roofs of distant dwellings, church spires and above all the stars peeping out of the heavens. And remember, reader, a touch of the walls will startle you back to the true realization that it is nothing but canvas every bit of it, and cheap canvas at that.

As a piece of composition and general treatment this Dutch parlor might be reasoned on for days. The pictures of delft representing various subjects of sea and land are worth a while for inspection. But the delicate little dexterities of adjustment, and the cunning choices of colors are the things that count. There is exactly enough of everything everywhere, accents without boldness and reticences without affectation which secure in its entirety that wonderful impression of reality which was enjoyed by so many thousands during the week of the fair. When it is remembered that all form and grace of lines depend upon truth of scale, and that it is only by the proper management of opaque color that architectural detail can be drawn at speed with any sort of attractive results one may be able to appreciate Mr. Hoxie's efforts more than ever.

As for the splendid furnishings introduced by studied comparisons to harmonize with the artist's treatment of the room the visitor could readily judge. The splendid reproduction of massive pieces of Dutch furniture in antique oak correctly representing the period so aptly chosen was an interesting exhibit in itself without the setting of its artistic background. If the history of the original of each piece could be known it would fill many volumes. And on the heavy oak table in the center of the room a slender vase held a bunch of beautiful tulips, the flower of Holland, and their fragrance filled the room with a delightful aroma of artificial sweetness. The ladies' writing desk with its handsome stationery as souvenirs was another notable feature. But after all the visitors had departed, with door shutters tightly closed a little group of guests were splendidly entertained by the hosts on each evening of the fair. By candle light and in the bright glow of the firelight with story and song, the quaint little room was the scene of much pleasant companionship and reverie. Congratulations to Messrs. Hoxie and Mooney on the very great success of their exhibit.—Old York Transcript

DAUGHTERS OF '76.

Whether or not the American race is going to the wall, the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution is prospering—as the attendance and proceedings at the congress of the order at Washington abundantly prove. The membership of this distinguished body of American women, in the veins of every one of whom runs the blood of the Revolution, is about 35,000. Five hundred chapters of it exist in forty-five states and territories. Every member of the 35,000 must be descended from an ancestor who, with unflinching loyalty, rendered material aid to the cause of independence as a recognized patriot.

Thirty-five thousand chosen women, scattered over the whole United States, constitute a magnificent leaven for the lump of American citizenship that is to be. The names of many women prominent in the councils of this order tell an eloquent story of what is some time to be in this country. Some of these names are Irish, some are German, some are French, some even are Spanish and Italian. The women descendants of Revolutionary ancestors prove particularly attractive to the more recent comers or their sons. And while many of the younger members of the society are the daughters on one side of mothers or fathers of Revolutionary stock, they have received from the other side a current from the river of good red blood which set into the country through Castle Garden. All this blood is some time to be absorbed completely in the American stream.

Membership in these patriotic societies is extremely popular among the women of the country. There are, for instance, more than three times as many organized Daughters of the American Revolution as there are Sons, though the male descendants must be equally numerous with the daughters. Women of the present day possess the virtues of patriotism and of legitimate pride of blood in at least as large a measure as men possess them. Moreover, women often have more time than men have for cultivating the relation which should exist among those who have common objects and sentiments.

The country will wish still more members and still greater success to the Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution. It has great work to do in keeping very much alive the spirit of '76.—New York Mail and Express.

Town reports are popular literature at the present time.

A MORAL PERVERT

Alfred Knapp So Described By Physicians.

Man's Own Confession Stamps Him A Conscienceless Fiend.

He Declares That He Took The Darkest Satisfaction In Murder.

Hamilton, O., Feb. 26.—Alfred Knapp, the self-confessed murderer, made a long statement tonight in the jail here. He reiterated his first confession and added some points not previously brought out. One of these relates to his first wife, Emma Stubbs, whose fate is not known. He declares that she is still living, in Louisville, Ky., having secured a divorce from him.

Another chapter is added by Knapp's assertion that he was implicated in several hold-ups here last December.

When asked how he felt when choking a woman to death he replied as follows: "I really can't tell I am seized with an irresistible desire to choke them and I could not let go, even if I wanted to do so. I feel no remorse, only a sensation of satisfaction, when I know they are dead."

"I used my hands in every case, except that of Mary Eckert. I choked her with a towel, but I could have done it with my hands. I got acquainted with Mary in Dayton, O., through an advertisement. Then she went to Cincinnati and I visited her in her room and choked her to death one night."

Every doctor who has seen Knapp agrees that he is a moral perversim ilar to Jack the Ripper, except that he finds satisfaction in choking women and children.

THE STORY-TELLER.

Funny Place To Carry Bank-Notes—Episode In A Millinery Store.

One man tells the following experience which happened to him last week. When the family washing was sent out, he suddenly discovered that he had left a five dollar bill in his nightgown pocket. Just why he carried five dollar bills in his nightgown pocket doesn't appear in evidence. He straightway retraced his steps to the home of the washwoman and upon entering discovered that the night shift was wound around an infant seated at the hearth. The five dollars was found in the pocket, all right, but owing to the fact that he was afraid that the wash woman would deck out her family with his and his wife's clothes, he does not carry his washing to that place any more.

A young lady in a certain millinery store is just now wondering whether or not it pays to be charitable. The reason why she is in such an undesirable state of mind is because a fellow came into the store the other day and after a few moments' inspection of the interior, looked her in the eye and mildly asked "Say, don't you have more dummies in this store than any other place on the street?" She was prompted to reply: "Yes, just at present," but realizing that he probably meant the forms upon which the latest creations in hats were displayed and thinking that perhaps he was not skilled in the use of the English language, she refrained.

CALLED ON RELATIVES.

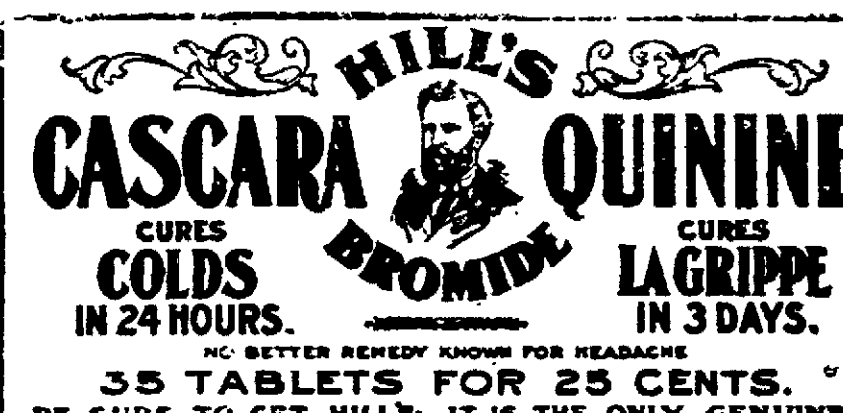
"Bill" Sewall Stopped In South Berwick For A Few Days.

William Sewall, the famous Maine guide who was recently with his wife, the guest of President Roosevelt at the executive mansion in Washington, visited their relatives, Mr. and Mrs. James Taterson in South Berwick on their way home. The party included also, Mr and Mrs. Fleetwood Pride, Wilmet E. Dowe, and a son and daughter of "Bill" Sewall.

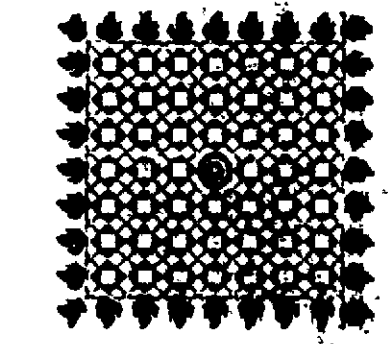
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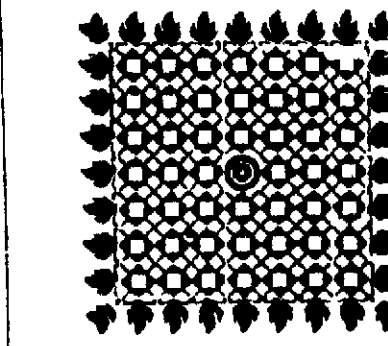
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August	13,194.24
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	\$36,654.28
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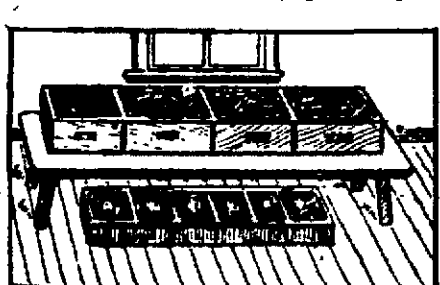
FARM FIELD AND GARDEN

SEED BOXES.

An Early Start For Plants—Testing Various Seeds.

Seed boxes can easily be constructed in the house and the new seeds planted in them be made to produce good sized plants by the time the ground is warm enough for them to grow outside. In this way an excellent start of the season can be obtained, says Ohio Farmer, which suggests some good arrangements for testing and forcing seeds.

First obtain any long, narrow box or boxes from the grocer or dry goods store and arrange them on benches in some out of the way corner of the living room. Of course they generally do



ARRANGEMENT OF SEED BOXES.

better near the stove, for there they can get plenty of artificial heat, but not always is this strictly essential. Next fill up the bottom with a layer of stones and then with gravel, and finally with sandy loam or a rich leaf mold with sandy soil. Clear sand even is good for the forcing seed boxes.

Seeds planted in boxes thus arranged (see the figure) and covered with a slight layer of soil should have plenty of water sprinkled over them daily and considerable heat applied from below. In this way the seeds can be made to germinate in a few days, and if a few of the seeds from the different packages are used the percentage of those that germinate can be noted. Indeed it is quite essential that this test should be applied whenever one is experimenting with seeds that he knows nothing about.

A good way is to arrange these seed boxes behind the stove in the kitchen, in which case plants enough can be started to fill a good sized garden. It is also advisable that each box be labeled, so that the plants will not get mixed.

UP TO DATE FARMING.

Saving Labor and Economizing Time Along All Lines.

For the last two years it was next to impossible to hire help on the farm when needed, says L. W. Lighty in National Stockman. I planned along all lines to save labor. I use riding implements where I can to save energy to apply where it must be used. I built a small dairy house, and therein I concentrated the dairy implements, and that saves a lot of time and work. I put in a gasoline engine to give motive power. By running the shaft on the outside of the house I connect it with the pumping jacks and pump water for the house and barn. Another belt runs the circular saw and saws the wood. A 300 foot rope transmits the power to the barn, where it runs the feed cutter, corn, shelter, etc. Another rope carries power to the house to run the washing machine. A 500 gallon tank in the barn gives a constant supply of water by simply opening a faucet.

In the House.
In the house in the attic is a 400 gallon tank giving water pressure for a complete system of hot and cold water, closet, bathtub and all such conveniences. All this water is elevated by burning a little gasoline. Turning a faucet is all the human energy needed to get water. But, say you, all this costs too much money. It does cost some, but it saves much more than it costs. A dime's worth of gasoline will pump more water or saw more wood or cut more fodder or churn more butter than a dollar's worth of human muscle will do. And my engine never grows and wants days off or gets drunk and cuts capers. It did cut a few capers until I understood its moods. A gasoline engine beats a mule balking or working, depending on how much you know about the management.

Waste Heat Utilized.

The same fuel that cooks my dinner heats a thirty gallon boiler of water by a circulating water front in the range. Hot and cold water are on tap at all times. The boiler and pipes heat upstairs and make the house comfortable with the heat that formerly was entirely wasted. Instead of running to the pump 150 times a day, traveling three or four miles, the water is just where it is, wanted upstairs and down. By having the feed and tools convenient and system and order in our proceedings we can often do twice as much in a day as if we tackled everything in a better skelter sort of way.

The Results With Soft Corn.

Some of the feeders who bought soft corn last fall because it was cheap are now coming forward with their experience. In general it is not very satisfactory. Most of them think that they would have found it more profitable to pay the price and get sound corn. Considering the analyses and the price the soft corn looked like a bargain, but the animals fed on it seem to have returned a different verdict, probably because the grain was so chaffy and lacking in development.—National Stockman.

To Pick Out a Layer.

When we kill off the nonlayers it is well to be sure and not stay a fowl full of eggs. When the rear bones are wide apart at the points below the tail feathers you have caught a layer. When they are close together bloody is taking a vacation.—Exchange.

THE APPLE ORCHARD.

What J. H. Hale Would Do With It. "Culture" is His Rule.

Appropos of the new theory of keeping a grass mulch on the orchard J. H. Hale of Connecticut says in Rural New Yorker: If the orchard was mine I should tackle it this coming spring with a broadcast application of some good fertilizer; stable manure if I had plenty of it; if not, fine ground bone, potash in its cheapest and most available form and a moderate amount of nitrogen. I would then put in a stiff, steady team and a good, strong plow and break it up thoroughly to the depth of four or five inches. I would have a man follow the plow with a good, sharp ax and give a smooth cut to all large roots that were broken. The trees themselves I should prune in a moderate way, no reckless cutting and slashing. I should wet the bodies and larger limbs and scrape them thoroughly if they were covered with rough bark that could be thus got off.

Spring and Summer Care.

Some time in March I should spray the trees either with strong potash water or sulphate of copper wash; later, as the buds were swelling, a good spraying of bordeaux and probably another bordeaux spraying with some arsenical poison mixture along in May or early June. Assuming that the plowing has all been done in April, and the earlier the better, I should give thorough culture through May, June and July with most approved implements at hand. A spring tooth harrow would serve the purpose best. A good liming of the land or a liberal dressing of hardwood ashes along the last of July and then seeding the whole to clover would be my way of finishing up the season.

The Winter Treatment.

The following winter I should give whatever further pruning seemed desirable and spray according to apparent needs; a little fertilizer in the spring if my pocketbook would stand it, and then start the barrows the minute frost and mud would admit and keep up the cultivation same as before. By the second year the orchard ought to begin to feel and show the results of such treatment and perhaps to do some business on its own account. Further annual treatment would continue along about the same lines, provided of course the results were such as to warrant it. Breaking and tearing as many roots as would be likely in this first plowing up would be a great shock to the trees and probably force a strong development of fruit buds the first year of cultivation, and so I should reasonably expect a fine crop of apples the second year, but it is one thing to expect results from an orchard and another to get them. A forty acre apple orchard rightly handled is worth a lot of money and ought to pay all the bills and leave a splendid profit on top of it. I am a believer in culture and have mighty little sympathy with the general orchardists who expect to get success in any other way.

Butter Without Churning.

Butter without churning. They call it selective absorption. Four thicknesses of Turkish toweling are first put into a shallow pan, over which and formed to shape of pan and to fit inside of it snugly down on the absorbing towel is a white, heavy blotting paper. Into the paper pan the cream is poured and selective absorption does the rest. The water, casein and salts held in solution in the cream are absorbed by the paper and passed through into the towel. The butter fat not being in solution, but fatty and globular, cannot follow into the blotter and remains on top to be rolled off in a sheet of butter paste at the will of the operator, who can now work in the salt and form and fashion to his will. Churned butter is carefully handled not to destroy the grain either in churning or working, but from this butter paste of the new process the grain develops as the butter is worked. The absorption is completed in about thirty minutes and it is claimed for the method that all the butter fat to the uttermost is recovered from the blotter, which it has not been found possible to do heretofore with the churn. The buttermilk is of course in the blotter and absorbing towel and can be expressed from the towel by an ordinary clothes wringer, or if one is in a hurry for a drink of it he may chew the rag.—Cor. National Stockman.

Planting Peas.

Soil light and dry and not too rich suits the pea, which should be sown as soon as the ground can be worked and at intervals of ten days for succession. Sprouting them in a box of moist sand in a warm cellar before planting outside will give a considerable gain in earliness. Peas grown carelessly in the garden for several seasons deteriorate and are not profitable seed.

News and Notes.

Professor Voorhees of the New Jersey experiment station says that in their tests Ayreshires stand as high as any breed for milk production. New introductions in the way of alfalfa better adapted to the eastern and northern part of the United States are expected to be made soon by the bureau of plant industry.

The demand for help, both on farms and in farmhouses, is going to be more insatiable than ever this spring, says Orange Judd Farmer.

Silver pencilled Wyandottes are a new variety reported to be prolific layers.

The export trade in beef cattle, always important in shaping prices in the corn belt, is picking up after a period of temporary depression, says American Agriculturist.

An authority on rice culture in this country states that the rice acreage here in 1903 will be 300 per cent greater than in 1900, the increase being almost wholly created wealth from application of water to unused land.

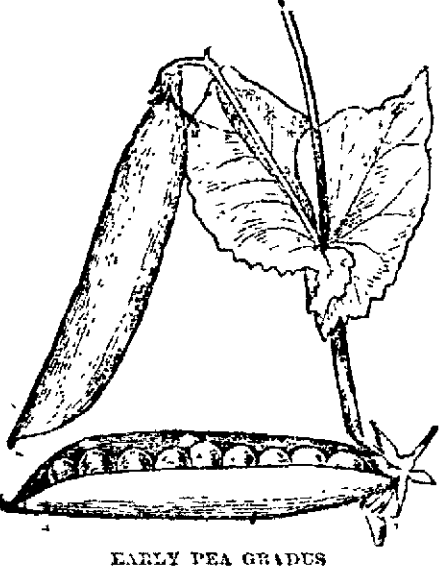
FARM FIELD AND GARDEN

PEAS TESTED.

If We Could Have But One Pea—The Effect of Nitrate of Soda.

Peas. Green peas. Who is there that does not relish good peas? American Gardening has for several seasons past thoroughly tested some of the standard and popular varieties. These have included Gradus, O'Rourke, Nott's Excelsior, Abundance, Champion of England, Hero, Heroine, Pride of the Market, Admiral Dewey, Black Eyed Marrowfat, Surprise, Everbearing and American Wonder.

Last season when the ground was prepared and before planting the seed all were stuck with brush so that the vines should have the necessary support. After the plants were up some four inches they were treated once every week with a sprinkling of water having a good handful of nitrate of soda to twenty quarts of water until the peas were ready to pick. This experiment with the nitrate was only



EARLY PEA GRADES

used on the row of Gradus and Surprise, and the length of time this treated row continued to grow, blossom and bear was the element of the household and of the visitors. In fact, when the second and third rows of Surprise and its other half were pulled up there were still peas to pick and blossoms to be seen in this first planting of both Gradus and Surprise.

The conclusion as to the value of the different kinds is given as follows in the journal mentioned: Surprise is a grand pea. It is grand because it combines quality and productiveness without much vine and being early. It is a good pea both early and late. Its pod is not large, but it is rightly grown it is a good sized pea. On the piece of ground tried where the water is within fifteen inches of the surface American Wonder, Bliss Abundance and Bliss Everbearing were tried. One vine was as vigorous and thrifty as another. But the bearing and quality were not as good.

You ask what it does that led us to decide as the best or what in our opinion it would be advisable to plant? We would say for the amateur gardener: First, it would be Surprise and Gradus for early; second, Surprise and Champion of England; third, if we could have but one pea it would be Surprise.

In the Sugar Bush.

The man who has a sugar bush nowadays has a bonanza.

Work it at all there is in it. It is your gold mine.

Don't use old, rotten, leaky pails. The tin or galvanized iron pails are cheap now, and they will make the sap cleaner and save what you get.

Clean all the sap tools thoroughly. Scald and scrub the pails, store tubs, gathering barrels and pans or evaporator if you use one and see that they are kept scrupulously clean all the way through.

Be ready when the first run comes. This is preferred by every customer, and we must comply with their needs if we hold their trade.

The more quickly the sap can be boiled in after it comes from the tree the finer the sugar will be. Crowd everything while the season lasts.—Farm Journal.

Brain Work Will Improve Hand Work.

First and last and all the time the great point in institute work is the educative effect. It gets men to talking, to reading, agricultural journals and books, to thinking and doing better. New ways of doing things on the farm will be discussed and tried. New and better farm implements will be purchased and used. The farmers begin to respect themselves more and farm better and make more money. They will improve their homes, educate their children, and brighten up the farms. They will diversify their farm operations, branch out into side lines, such as trucking, fruit, cattle and poultry. In a thousand ways improvement will be visible, because you have set the men to thinking. The brain work will change and improve the hand work.—Dr. Hunslett in Southern Cultivator.

Horse Talk From the Farm Journal.

If your horse is very warm when coming in the stable, put on a blanket and when he has steamed out take the blanket off, which will be found to be wet, and put on a dry one after giving him a good rubbing with a twist of straw.

When a horse in his stable. The morning, feed light and the grain ration should be fed at night.

When milking and have it well done.

If you have a tender mouth, use a large piece of blanket on all night.

CROSS BREEDING OF PLANTS.

Crossbred and Hybrid Defined—Tools Required For Cross Breeding.

In the breeding of plants the term cross bred is used when referring to the crosses produced between different varieties of the same species, and the word hybrid when speaking of new forms obtained by crossing such plants as are generally regarded as distinct species. In an interesting article in American Agriculturist by Dr. William Saunders of Canada on this topic, which is of so much real importance to farmers, occur the following items: The tools required in cross breeding are few, but a steady hand has an important bearing on the success of the work. The following is all that is needed: A pair of finely pointed forceps, some camel's hair pencils, paper and gauze bags large enough to inclose the branches on which the blossoms to be worked are situated, twine for tying these bags in place and a few wired labels to attach to the branches on which the number of the cross or other particulars may be written.

Operating on the Cereals.

With wheat, barley and oats the process is much more difficult than with fruits. In working with wheat the head should be selected soon after it has pushed out from the sheath. This head consists of a series of clusters known as spikelets, which are arranged alternately on opposite sides of the stalk. Later each spikelet will contain from two to five kernels of wheat. In the early stages of the growth of the head the kernels are not formed, but the hollow centers they are destined to fill are occupied by the more or less developed flowers of the plant. When operating on wheat to effect a cross the outer layer of chaff is torn off with the finely pointed forceps and the inner coating pulled back by seizing it near the tip and bending it downward, which exposes the flower. The anthers are then carefully examined and if their condition is sufficiently advanced to offer the possibility of any of the pollen having been shed the spikelet to which it belongs is torn off and other flowers opened until some are found in the desired condition with the stamens green but almost mature. These are removed with much care, as the slightest injury to the soft and delicate pistil will cause it to wither. The flower is then covered by replacing the inner coating of chaff in its natural position. After the removal of the stamens from a sufficient number of selected flowers all other portions of the head are torn off and rejected.

Flowers Must Be Handled Carefully.

Having previously selected a head of the variety or species which is to serve as the male, flowers are sought for which contain anthers fully matured and covered with pollen. Then the individual flowers which have been prepared for fertilization are opened again in succession, and the soft, feathery pistil is gently touched with one or more of the pollen laden anthers from the other variety until a perceptible quantity of the fertilizing powder has been applied, when the flower case is again closed. After all the flowers in a prepared head have been operated on it is wrapped in thin paper and so secured by tying as to prevent the possibility of access of other pollen. As a further precaution the covered head is then tied to a piece of stick of bamboo cane, where it remains untouched until harvest time, when any kernels which have been formed will be mature and may be safely gathered. Each kernel when sown the following season will form the starting point of a new variety.

A Garden Roller.

The importance of firming the soil after planting seed is urged by gardening authorities. Rolling holds the surface moisture, breaks lumps and presses the soil close about the seed. The difference between a thin, broken row and a thick, even one is often due to rolling. An American Agriculturist correspondent suggests that a



A GOOD HAND ROLLER.

can be made from a strong keg, with a steel rod through the middle, as indicated in the drawing. Attach a stout handle from an old pushcart or make one, as shown. A stone weight is used inside.

Facilities For Stock Sales.

Some of the enterprising Ohio live stock breeders are endeavoring to have the state board of agriculture set apart one of the buildings on the state fair grounds for the purpose of holding public sales. They argue that the place is convenient for buyers and sellers alike and that if such a place were available less stock would be shipped to Chicago, Indianapolis and other places and more of it kept in Ohio at just as satisfactory prices. The point seems to be well taken, says National Stockman.

What Others Say.

A little assistance is worth a whole lot of advice.

A man, like a horse, loses his usefulness when he becomes a chronic kicker.

In nearly all cases it is better to grow into a specialty than to go into it. First learn how and then go in.

Some dairymen spend enough time weeping over spilled milk to buy a whole cow.

The American hog has rooted his way into nearly every corner of the civilized world. No country dare go to war without him.

A wagon that may be easily kept in motion is hard to start again when it stops. So it is with the calf. Don't let him stop growing.

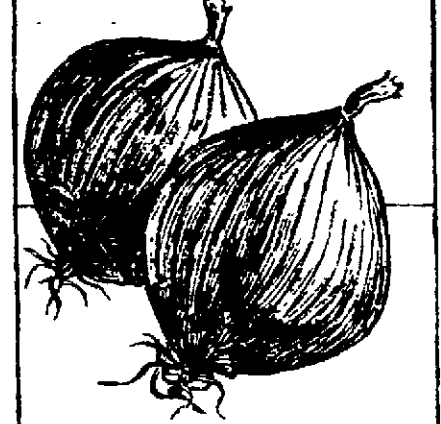
FARM FIELD AND GARDEN

ONION GROWING.

Methods of Propagating From Seed. The Newer Culture.

In propagating from seed two methods are practiced, (1) sowing the seed in the open field without transplanting and (2) sowing the seed out of doors in the fall and transplanting to the permanent plantation the following spring, or sowing under glass in January, February or March, depending upon the latitude, and transplanting to the field as early as the season will permit.

Experiments have demonstrated that the transplanting system has the advantage of increasing size and yield.



PRIZE TAKING ONIONS.

The plants receive a good start under glass before they are set in the field and thus have the full advantage of the cool spring weather, which is most favorable to rapid growth. When sown in the field, a month or more is consumed before the plants are fairly started. The large kind of globe onions are used for this "new onion culture," as it is called, and Prize Taker is a favorite for both commercial and private use. It is of a pale straw colored exterior, but clear white inside. It attains immense size, is of mild flavor and good keeping qualities.

AMERICAN FORESTRY.

A New Career With Promising Prospects For Young Men.

The young forester has prospects of a salary that equals or slightly exceeds that of the college professor, and the location of his home will usually make his necessary living expenses less than those of the teacher. Within a decade he may be in the employ of a railroad company and have charge of many pieces of woodland which he will be able to reach easily by rail. He may secure a position as a state forester or as a member of a state corps. This is a promising field. Several of our forested states are coming into the possession of abandoned stump lands, and the care of them requires a forester who can supervise the work, look after the public interests and disseminate information among the people. The state of New York is even buying up hundreds of square miles of woodland to add to its forest reserve. The United States government has a constantly increasing need for men. The public holdings are tremendous. For each of the last three years the forestry appropriation has been doubled and the work that is being done for the private citizens is growing as rapidly as are the appropriations. These government foresters are in attendance in the department at Washington during the winter, but with the coming of spring they are scattered throughout the United States. They go to the woods of New England, of the south and of the west and return in the fall to make out their reports in the office. Eventually a large part of our government force will be stationed in various parts of the west nearer to the center of the greatest activity in public forestry.

Lumber and Paper Company.

Another class of positions will be with the lumber and paper companies. From all sections of the country these companies are inquiring into the methods of conservative forestry and, as has been shown, some are already employing foresters, while others will probably follow their example. The men so employed will spend a large part of the time in the forests under their care, but in the winter season some will be located for a few months in the town or city headquarters of their corporation. This will enable their children to have the advantage of better schooling than that afforded by a paper factory town or a sawmill town.

The American Forester's Future.

Wherever he may be, the average American forester during the next thirty years will have a very different task from that of his European counterpart. In Europe everything is carefully worked out and reduced to system. The forests are cropped as regularly and as methodically as a farm. One forest crop is followed by another in regular rotation, and every phase of the question is definitely known and recorded in a forester's manual. In America the field still lies open for original work.—J. Russell Smith in Forum.

Preserving Fruit For Show.

The following is given by W. D. Carley in his work on cider and vinegar making as a solution for the preservation of apples in glass for exhibition: Hyposulphite of soda, one ounce; distilled water, six pints; alcohol, two pints.

Skim milk as Pig Food.

The value of skim milk as a pig feed does not seem to be generally appreciated by Arizona dairymen. During the spring we have realized on skim milk fed to pigs from 18 to 28 cents per hundredweight.—G. H. True.

GOOD POTATOES.

Varieties That Have Done Well in American Gardening Tests.

A neighbor who planted the New Queen about April 1, long before we could get ready, had the happy privilege of not only digging extra large, smooth and finely flavored new potatoes weeks before we did from our first planting, but also had the broad smile of satisfaction consequent upon getting for the sale of many pecks a price far in advance of what could be procured two weeks after.

Early Ohio is one of the grandest of all the extra early potatoes. I like its shape and color. It is inclined to be nearer round and has a skin the color of the Rose. It does not yield as heavily as some others, but as the vine does not develop such gross foliage it can be planted very much closer. It gives tubers of a practically uniform size, is fine in flavor and is a desirable variety, as it can be used long before fully developed as well as later.

So far I am inclined to hold to Early Ohio and New Queen for extra early and also for table and market use.

The New Queen being such a strong grower as well as a grand yielder, it can be grown far apart and will therefore not require as much seed as some others. Perhaps on this account it is to be preferred for the market gardener.

In the later potatoes there was none which yielded with the White Elephant and Yellow Elephant, yet Green Mountain is about if not quite their equal, yet there are marked differences—Green Mountain is preferable in shape, being more oval, while the Elephants are long and inclined to be more or less irregular. The flesh of all is white, and they are all good keepers as well as fine for the table. This season it was no uncommon condition to find them in our neighborhood yielding at the rate of 400 bushels to the acre and many of the tubers weighing one and a half to two pounds apiece, solid and fair.

The White Mountain is altogether different in shape from the Green Mountain, but nearly the same in color, a good yielder and fine for table. We cannot yet speak as to its keeping qualities.

Nott's Peachblow is one of the handsomest in foliage as well as tuber. It is a profitable one to grow, as it certainly is a good yielder and one of the finest to eat. It is white and dry and when dug has a bright, pink eye, which makes it very attractive. It outyielded any of the late plantings.

Sweet Home in quality and appearance is certainly one of the best. It is inclined to produce a more average run in size and shape, and, while much like the Ohio, it is a stronger grower and the tubers have very much smaller eyes.

For beauty in shape and foliage Sweet Home certainly deserves much notice. Certainly it is very prolific and is a fine table potato.—Report From American Gardening Trial Grounds.

Weed Flavor In Milk.

At the Abundant experiment station bitter weed taste was removed from cream by mixing with two or more parts of water at any temperature above 70 degrees F. and then running it through a cream separator. No means were found by which bitter weed taste could be removed from milk. The compound in the bitter weed which gives milk a bitter taste is held very largely if not entirely in the milk serum. The more completely the serum is separated from the fat the less is the degree of bitterness in the cream.

Wild onion flavor was not removed from cream by mixing it with water and then running it through the cream separator. No method was found by which the onion flavor could be removed from either milk or cream. The compound in the wild onion which gives milk a bad flavor is held very largely if not entirely by the fat, and the more completely the serum is separated from the fat the more concentrated is the onion flavor in the cream.

The Disappearing Trick.

"The disappearing trick" is a term coming into common use among Australian beekeepers, and there's nothing funny about it either. The older bees of a colony disappear in a sudden and mysterious manner, the strongest colonies appearing to be the ones most affected, causing very heavy loss of colonies. The beekeepers are asking that the government come to their aid by making investigations looking to cause and cure.—American Bee Journal.

Dry Feed From Skim Milk.

By taking dried curd made from skim milk and pulverizing it the dairyman may find a most profitable use for his skim milk in thus providing for the necessary digestible protein in the ration of his cows. This reduced curd, according to Professor H. B. Hayward of Pennsylvania, closely resembles white cornmeal. It contains about 75 per cent protein, or nearly twice as much as cottonseed meal. It is easily and cheaply made and will keep indefinitely.

Agricultural Notes.

Seed peas containing weevils may sprout, but the plant will be feeble, and many such will injure the crop.

French June is said to be one of the earliest of field peas.

A rapid increase of the colonies of the gypsy moth in Massachusetts since the year 1900 appears from the report of the gypsy moth committee.

Prospects are thought to be good for the maple sugar season in New York state.

The grain blockade is causing serious difficulty to feeders in the eastern states, says American Cultivator.

Professor J. W. Sanborn says that on corn land manure put on top makes a larger proportion of ears; it plowed under, more stalks, but there is the same weight of plant in either case.

PORTSMOUTH'S SECRET AND SOCIAL SOCIETIES.

WHEN AND WHERE THEY MEET.

A Guide for Visitors and Members.

OLD CAPTAIN, NO. 1, L. O. O. F.

Meets at Hall, Police Block, High St. Second and Fourth Wednesdays of each month.

Officers—A. L. Phinney, Past Chief; Charles C. Charless, Noble Chief; Fred Hedges, Vice Chief; William Hampshire, High Priest; Frank J. Meloon, Venerable Harriet; George P. Knight, Sir Herold; Samuel R. Gardner, M. of R.; Fred Gardner, K. of R.; C. W. Hanscom, C. of R.

PORTSMOUTH COUNCIL, NO. 3, O. U. A. M.

Meets at Hall, Franklin Block, Fifth and Third Thursday of each Month. Officers—C. W. Hanscom, Correspondent; John Hooper, Vice-Correspondent; William P. Gardner, Senior Ex-Correspondent; Charles Allen, Junior Ex-Correspondent; Frank Pike, Recording Secretary; Frank Langley, Financial Secretary; Joseph W. Marden, Treasurer; Charles E. Odiorne, Inductor; George Kimball, Examiner; Arthur Jenness, Inside Protector; George Kay, Outside Protector; Trustees, Harry Herrum, Edward Clapp, W. P. Gardner.

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Sun. sets..... 5:31. Full moon..... 11:29 A. M.
Lunar day..... 11:15. Lunar night..... 11:45 P. M.

New Moon, Feb. 27th, 10:20 a.m., morning, E.
First Quarter, March 6th, 10:14 a.m., evening, E.
Full Moon, March 13th, 7:10 p.m., morning, W.
Last Quarter, March 23d, 10:30 a.m., evening, E.

THE WEATHER.

Washington, Feb. 26.—Forecast for New England: Fair Friday; Saturday rain in south, rain or snow in north portions; fresh south winds, increasing Saturday.

MUSIC HALL BOX OFFICE HOURS.

Open 7:30 to 9:00 a.m., 12:30 to 2:30 to 6, and 7 to 8 p.m., three days in advance of each attraction. Tickets may be ordered by calling Telephone No. 8008-2.

FRIDAY, FEB. 27, 1903.



CITY BRIEFS.

The sun rises at 6.25 and sets at 5.31.

There will be five Sundays in March.

Tomorrow will be the last day of February.

This weather suits a little better than that of last week.

Robins were seen in various sections of the city this morning.

Have your shoes repaired by John Mott, 34 Congress street.

The sailmakers are busy making and putting up new awnings.

The real estate outlook for Portsmouth is regarded as bright.

The board of registrars are in session again today at the city building.

Fish are not only scarce, but higher in price than they have been for years.

The Angelus is the entertainer par excellence. Hear it and see it at Montgomery's.

Lobster fishermen are preparing for their spring work and are looking for early catches.

Attend the caucus. Every good citizen has a duty at the primary as well as at the polls.

One week from next Tuesday, the little republics of New Hampshire will fight out their political battles.

The clams which were frozen up last week were thawed out this week, and clammers resumed work with a rush.

Hicks said that the last three days of February would be very warm for the season, with a cold wave in close pursuit.

No trouble to amuse and delight your visitors with an Angelus in the house. Ask to see the Angelus at Montgomery's.

The steamer Charles F. Mayer has arrived from Baltimore (via Portland, where she left a barge), loaded with coal for J. A. and A. W. Walker.

The biggest snow storm generally comes along toward the end of winter. That of last week is no exception to the venerable rule. Even the almanacs had it all scheduled.—Old York Transcript.

The advertisement is not an automaton which, once started, will bring in trade and enrich. It is absurd to think that the advertisement will do all. The advertising of a business is but one branch of it.

One can get all the coal he wishes nowadays. There is coal to burn, and from every indication except price one would not realize that New England had just passed through the greatest and most threatening coal famine in its history.

Remember that the Angelus is unlike and greatly superior to most other players. The new expression device enable the operator to reproduce the works of the masters with absolute fidelity to the original score. See the Angelus at Montgomery's.

The Portsmouth freight, which has been doing very good work lately, as far as being on time is concerned, made its first slip Wednesday morning. It started on time from the seaport city and was due to reach here at 3:05 in the afternoon, but did not make its appearance until nearly 10:30 o'clock.—Manchester Union.

REPUBLICAN CITY COMMITTEE.

At the meeting of the republican city committee today Samuel W. Emery was re-elected chairman and Joshua M. Vaughan clerk.

Too late to cure a cold after consumption has fastened its deadly grip on the lungs. Take Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup while yet there is time.

YOUNGSTER ASSAULTED.

William Gaddois Set Upon By Three Italians.

They Seized Him Last Night On Noble's Island Bridge.

He Broke Away And Reported The Affair To The Police.

William Gaddois, a thirteen-year-old French boy, who resides in the big French boarding house at Freeman's Point, was assaulted by three Italians on Noble's Island bridge shortly before twelve o'clock Thursday evening.

The men seized the youngster and after inquiring where he was going, threatened to throw him into the river if he did not obey the proposals they made to him.

Young Gaddois managed to break away from his captors and reach the police station. Two officers were detailed to accompany the boy back to the scene of the assault.

The ground was carefully gone over, but the trio had made their escape. The officers saw young Gaddois safely to his boarding house.

ODD FELLOWS DISTRICT MEETING.

Secret Work Exemplified In Presence Of The Grand Officers.

The second annual district meeting and school of instruction of the Odd Fellows of this section was held in Odd Fellows hall in this city on Thursday evening. The degrees were exemplified and the secret work explained, the state grand officers criticizing the manner in which the ritualistic exercises were performed and instructing the members of the different degree teams.

The following high dignitaries of the order were present: Grand Master Frank L. Way, Deputy Grand Master George E. Danforth, Grand Warden Charles S. Emerson, Grand Treasurer William W. Cotton, District Deputy Grand Master Lamont Hill-ton.

A supper was enjoyed at the end of the business session.

The order of exercises follows:

Initiatory degree—Sagamore lodge, No. 9, of Exeter. Criticisms and Suggestions. Secret work, F. L. Way, grand master, Floor work, George E. Danforth, deputy grand master, Ritual, C. S. Emerson, grand warden.

Second degree—Twilight lodge, No. 68, of Newton. Criticisms. Same as initiatory degree.

Third degree—Osgood lodge, No. 48, of Portsmouth. Criticisms. Same as previous degrees.

Remarks and instructions—Frank L. Way, grand master, George E. Danforth, deputy grand master, Charles S. Emerson, grand warden.

Roll call of lodges.

Closing.

WHIST PARTY.

The Thursday Night Whist club met last evening and prizes were awarded as follows: Ladies' first, a picture, Mrs. Harry O. Holt; ladies' second, a scrap basket, Mrs. Jennie Marden; ladies' third, cup and saucer, Mrs. F. B. Bubbler; gentlemen's first, a picture, J. E. Harrold; gentlemen's second, wall pocket, Harry L. Philbrick; gentlemen's third, medalion picture, James McCabe.

The next meeting of the club will be held Thursday evening, March 5.

TOOL CHEST BROKEN INTO.

Daniel P. Pendexter reported to the police this morning that a tool chest belonging to him had been broken into at Freeman's Point and a large portion of the contents taken away. The house of a suspected party at the Point was searched from top to bottom, but no trace of the missing tools found.

STORE CHANGES HANDS.

Blake T. Schurman has sold his seed and agricultural store on Market street to his brother, Arthur W. Schurman, who will take personal charge of the same. The former will move his family to Concord, where he will make his future home.

ASLEEP IN RAILROAD YARD.

Officer Ducker discovered a hobo fast asleep in the railroad yard on Thursday evening. The fellow upon being awakened showed evident symptoms of intoxication and was taken to police headquarters. Upon his pockets being searched, the off-

icers discovered a double ended sledge hammer. The fellow claimed that it was given to him by a stranger.

PORTSMOUTH'S WON.

Defeated The Rockinghams In An Interesting Bowling Game.

The Rockingham and Portsmouth candle pin teams rolled an interesting game on the Reece bowling alleys Thursday evening, the latter winning, 1230 to 1277. Clark and Ham of the Rockinghams and Fernald of the Portsmouths were tied for high honors, each with a total of 257. Fernald's 192 was the highest single string.

The scores:

PORTSMOUTH.				
Goodwin,	77	89	74	240
Kauffman,	75	90	85	250
Stillson,	72	85	84	241
Fernald,	82	102	73	257
Blethen,	70	93	79	242

Totals,	376	459	395	1230
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ROCKINGHAM.				
Clark,	77	87	93	257
Kirvan,	72	69	74	215
Moulton,	76	63	78	217
Ham,	79	70	81	230
Caaswell,	79	86	93	258

Totals,	383	375	419	1177
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CHAIR WAS BURNED.

Fire At The Foot Of Gates Street Destroys A Piece Of Furniture.

The chemical and the hook and ladder truck were called to the foot of Gates street Thursday afternoon by a still alarm. The fire was in a house belonging to the estate of John Quinn and occupied by Austin Trethoven. The blaze was of little consequence and no water was turned upon the house. The cushion of a chair had in some manner caught fire and all danger was removed by throwing the piece of furniture out of the window.

The chair was entirely consumed, but there was no other loss.

REPUBLICAN CITY COMMITTEE

Makes Arrangements For The Holding Of Mayoralty Caucus.

The republican city committee met at the city building this morning at ten o'clock and voted to hold the republican caucus for the mayoralty nomination tomorrow, Saturday, from five to eight o'clock p. m., in the old court house. It was also agreed upon that a plurality of votes instead of a majority must be had by the successful nominee.

OBITUARY.

Martha J. Nichols.

Mrs. Martha J. Nichols, aged forty-eight years, wife of Alphonso Nichols, died at her home on Richmond street, Thursday, after a long illness. Besides her husband, she leaves two sons, John and William, both of this city.

RIVER AND HARBOR.

The schooner Modoc arrived today from New York with a cargo of coal consigned to Kittery.

The steamer Charles F. Mayer is below with a cargo of coal for the Walkers.

The schooner Annie L. Wilder has arrived from Barren Island with a cargo of fertilizer.

NO MAN IS STRONGER THAN HIS STOMACH

When Sandow poses and the muscles ridge his back and knot his arms, we think we have before us the very secret of strength in those magnificent muscles. But we haven't. Sandow, or, what is practically the same thing, let him be dyspeptic, and his muscle would soon fail. Strength is made from food properly digested and assimilated, and no man is stronger than his stomach, because when the stomach is diseased digestion and assimilation are imperfect.

Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery cures diseases of the stomach and other organs of digestion and nutrition. It enables the perfect digestion and assimilation of food so that the body is nourished in perfect health and strength.

"I had what my physician called indigestion. He gave me medicine for the trouble but it did me no good," writes Mr. W. H. Wells, of Wilford, N. C. "I wrote to Dr. Pierce and stated my case. He sent me a descriptive list and hygienic rules. I carried out these as best I could, bought six bottles of his 'Golden Medical Discovery' and commenced taking it. A few days later I noticed a great change. I felt like a new man. Before I began the use of the 'Golden Medical Discovery' I suffered greatly with pain in stomach, my nerves seemed all 'run-down,' I was very thin in flesh, but now can eat heartily and sleep good at night."

Dr. Pierce's Common Sense Medical Adviser is sent free on receipt of stamps to pay expense of mailing only. Send twenty-one one-cent stamps for the paper-covered book, or thirty-one stamps for the cloth-bound volume. Address Dr. R. V. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y.



RANDOM GOSSIP.

Don't leave a baby alone on the sidewalk in a baby sleigh or carriage. Wednesday forenoon, somebody left a baby alone that way in front of the postoffice, and a big dog came along, jumping and playing with another dog, ran against the little sleigh, tipped it over, and the baby got a bad bruise on the forehead. If it had been a runaway horse, the child would probably have been killed.

The basketball game between the Company B team and the Woods Brothers at Peirce hall tonight will be of great interest. The Woods Brothers have not been beaten, while the Company B boys have been playing excellent ball all the winter and have trimmed about all of the teams who have come against them.

There is quite a marked interest manifested by the young ladies of the city in the study of physical culture, and in many homes are one or more students who devote some time each day to the practice of muscle building, according to the rules laid down in the instruction book. Walking a long distance is included in the program by some, and two of the devotees of this particular form put their muscles to the test, yesterday, by walking to New Castle and back.

Here's rather a pert query put to me by a prominent club woman: "Do you know that women are not disfranchised today because good men fear the influence of bad women on politics or of bad politics on good women, as is commonly reported; but because bad men fear the influence of good women on bad politics, and fear the influence of good politics over the affairs of bad men?"

At a recent meeting of the Manchester board of health, it was voted by the members that the names of smallpox patients shall not hereafter be given for publication. The street and number will simply be given, as in the case of other contagious diseases.

It appears that this has been the subject of much discussion and also of complaint by a number who have been affected with the disease. Since its outbreak in that city, it has been the custom to give the name of the person afflicted, and their street and address. The custom has prevailed until the recent order issued by the health board.

A number of persons who have been ill with the malady, it is said, have complained because their names appear, while in other contagious diseases, such as diphtheria, scarlet fever and the measles, simply the street and number were given.

Hence this action of the board.

Bert Weeden of Dover, well known here, has been signed by Manager Canavan of the New Haven, Conn., baseball team, as a back stop for the coming season. Weeden has all the qualifications necessary to make a good ball player, and his friends here are confident that, if given a chance, he will make good.

The snow down in Arcostock county is seven feet deep, according to travelling men who come up from there. Weather sharps there say this is the coldest winter since 1889, and that December was the coldest twelfth month in thirty-four years.

VISITED DOVER CASTLE.

Knights Of The Golden Eagle Respond To A Fraternal Invitation.

The members of Oak castle, Knights of the Golden Eagle, turned out in good numbers on Thursday evening for their trip to Dover, whither they went in response to the invitation of Cocur de Lion castle of that city. They were accompanied by members of the two Portsmouth flute and drum bands who led the knights on the march to and from the railroad station. The journey was made on a special train, the party arriving in this city, on its return, about half past one.

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PERSONALS.

William H. Kilburn is a visitor in Manchester today.

Principal A. H. Knapp of the High school is confined to his home by illness.

John H. Barrett left today on a short trip to Dover, Exeter and other places.

The many friends of Richard E. Hannaford were pleased to see him around town today after several weeks' confinement at home with typhoid fever.

Miss Effie L. Paul of Mark street and Miss Grace Norton of Kittery, two of Staples' popular saleswomen, leave next week on a trip to New York, Philadelphia and Washington.

Wilson M. Walker of York Village, well known in this city, who has been very ill all winter, is so much improved that it is expected that he will be able to venture abroad in a short time.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Moody of Fargo, N. D., who have been passing a few days with Mr. Moody's parents in York, have started on their return trip to the West. They will stop in several cities for a few days on their way home.

THEATRICAL TID-BITS.

Next June, the three companies playing Way Down East will be appearing simultaneously in as many countries—England, Australia and America. The organization sent to Melbourne and Sidney will also visit New Zealand.

Joseph Hart has been offered \$5,000 for the publisher's rights to his song, "Polly, Pretty Polly," which is part of the score of Foxy Grandpa.

Miss Maude Adams, instead of playing the brief time that still remains this season, will sail for Europe in March and will remain abroad until it is time to return for rehearsals for her opening at the Empire theatre next season. She will go to London, where the plans for her new play are under way, and will be settled while she is there. She will pass the summer on the continent.

Oliver Doud Byron, the eminent actor-author, took a flying trip from his home in Long Branch to Redbank recently to witness Dot Karroll's performance of his comedy, The Inside Track. Mr. Byron congratulated Miss Karroll on her rendition of "Jerry Twaddle" and is making arrangements for her to use his other plays. Contracts have been signed whereby Miss Karroll will play the entire Cahn and Grant circuit the coming seasons '03-04, beginning at New Bedford and closing at the Jefferson theatre, Portland. "Me, Miss Karroll will have nine plays and play week stands only throughout the larger cities of the East. This vivacious actress has played here in Peck's Bad Boy.

It is said that Creature is suffering from an ear affliction that will render him unable to continue for the present to perform with his band.

STATE BOARD CO-OPERATING.

The Concord Monitor says that the state board of health officials are co-operating with the board of health of this city in the bringing to justice of the Greek offenders who have been bringing smallpox patients from Ipswich, Massachusetts, to Portsmouth and compelling the New Hampshire authorities to care for them. Dr. Watson said on Thursday afternoon that he had instructed the Portsmouth authorities to enforce the law to the limit.

MINSTRELS' RETURN DATE.

All who enjoyed the performance by Quinlan and Wall's Impresarios at Music hall on Wednesday evening (and everybody who learned certainly did) will learn that this first-class party has been booked for a Thursday evening, March 5, at the city house does not mean that all local lovers ought to feel disappointed.

LONGEVITY IN NEWFIELDS.

Town Claims the Distinction of Four Active Generations of One Family.

Four generations, in which the older ones retain their full faculties, health and vigor, is a condition out of the run of every-day reckoning, but such is the distinction which Newfields claims. Not all at present are residents of the town, but Newfields has been their home and town of early training till a few years ago.

The oldest member, Mrs. Charles E. Durell, is a mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, and in years has passed the three score and ten mark, but in temperament she is yet in the prime of life. Alert and vigors of her maidenhood to a striking degree, and lightly do the years rest upon her. Besides her daughter, she has two sons, Frank L. Durell of Somerville, Mass., and Arthur J. Durell of Lynn, Mass. She is a native of the Pine Tree state, having been born at Wells. Her maiden name was Paulina Allen. A part of her youth was passed in her native town and in the year 1848 she was married to Charles E. Durell, at that time a resident of Newfields. Thus, she has seen a period of forty-five years of wedded life. They observed their golden wedding anniversary at the half century mark in 1898.

Mrs. Durell is still one of the town's most active ladies, esteemed and respected, and enjoying the best of health. Her husband is one of the town's staunchest citizens, and during his long residence there he has been honored with many prominent and trustworthy offices. He was a member of the legislature in 1897. Mr. Durell's daughter, Mrs. George H. Tilton of Portsmouth, passed her early life in Newfields, but for many years she was a resident of Exeter. She was married to George H. Tilton, a citizen of Exeter, in 1867. Soon after their marriage they became residents of Newfields, Mr. Tilton being for many years the foreman of the iron foundry of the old Swamscott Machine company. Here they resided, prominent and respected among the citizens, until two years ago, when they removed to Portsmouth. Mrs. Tilton inherits all the traits of her mother, and her vivacious and cheerful temperament makes her a most entertaining person to meet. It is safe to say that, if she reaches the three score and ten mark, she will lack none of her mother's striking qualities.

Besides her daughter, she has one son, George S. Tilton, a popular young man of Portsmouth, who has a host of friends in Newfields, his native town.

The family loses none of its good qualities as it descends, and the daughter of Mrs. Tilton possesses them to a high degree. She is Mrs. Clarence H. Paul of Portsmouth. Her maiden name was Alice B. Tilton, and she is of Newfields. During her earlier life and early school days there, she was one of the town's most popular and attractive young women. She was married in 1889, Clarence H. Paul of Eliot, Me., then a rising young man of Newfields, being the lucky suitor. After a period of residence in Newfields, they removed to Portsmouth, and they now possess a handsome home on Woodbury avenue. Mr. Paul is one of the prominent men of this city.

The juvenile member of the group is Master Haven Tilton Paul, the 11-year-old son of Mrs. Paul. He is a robust and athletic lad, and is a student at the Cabot street school in this city. Should not misfortune befall him, he is on the way to the longevity of his ancestors.

CARD OF THANKS.

The members of M. H. Goodrich, S. F. E. Co., No. 4, wish to express their hearty thanks in this manner to the following for extra favors received on occasion of their seventeenth annual concert and dance, Feb. 23. To the Veteran Firemen Drum Corps, also, the T. W. Priest vets' association, to the Portsmouth City band and Kearsarge Engine No. 3 and to all others who favored us in any manner, especially the public at large by its liberal patronage.

Per order of the company,
J. MORRIS VARRELL, Capt.
CHAS. H. KEHOE, Clerk.

REPUBLICAN MAYORALTY CAUCUS.

The republicans of Portsmouth will hold a caucus at the old Court House on Saturday, Feb. 28, from 5 to 8 p. m., to nominate a candidate for mayor to be voted for at the coming election to be held on March 10.

AMUEL W. EMERY, Chairman,
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